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# 66 This is not blood money. Part of me died that day >>

Fourteen junior police officers were yesterday awarded a total of £1.2 million damages for psychiatric stress suffered tending victims of the 1989 Hillsborough disaster in a ground-breaking

case with profound implications for members of all the emergency services. The families of the 96 who died strongly criticised the size of

the payments last

night as outrageous.

traumatic stress disorder. All 14 are still suffering the saw that day.

for the first time gives his detailed account of his experiences.

cer - that was thing far worse. seven years ago. Today he has shoulder length hair and a

form and what it represents after the Hillsborough disaster." On April 15 1989, the day come anyway. He swung him-95 people died at Hills-self through the gate of the borough. PC Frost was on pen over the heads of those duty at the football ground. stuggling to get out and mus-Like other policemen he was cled his way in. used to suppressing emotion of the pen, another two bodies after a gory day by drinking right down the front under with his mates. But no the fencing. Blue, dead eyes amount of drinking — and there's been plenty of that — has helped him since Hillsborough. He has never recovered his peace of mind and suffers from the emotional hands to save their mates, turmoil of Post Traumatic they were brave. There were

day," he tells me when we started passing out the bodies meet. He is in control but the ... I don't know how many ... meet. He is in control but the distress is visible in his eyes. the horror, the awful smells, "I'm not the only one. the blue faces — it never There were 150 policemen and leaves me. In one of the pens women from South Yorkshire there was a huge pile of bodies where the initial crush against the force but that was whittled down to 37." Mr slive. You couldn't pull them frost's is one of the 14 cases out because of the weight on

him not only his career and his marriage but any kind of peace of mind. It is not only faith in humanity and conse-his appearance that is trans-formed — he isn't the man he "I've grieved every day

he said in the living room of his parents' comfortable Sheffield home. "But the suppli-done." I the dead and dying. It took me five years to convince myself idd everything I could have done. rating wounds I feel can only be cleansed by the truth. It seemed to me that there was a cause nobody listened to us.

breaking out near the fateful Lappings Lane pens. "In 10 years' policing I've only arrested two fans — that day cuse us of being on a band-

officers who went into the fenced pens to save Liverpool tans have left the force because of post effects of what they One of the men was

Five of the 14

PC David Frost, who

Report Melanie McFadyean

ORMER policeman
David Frost has a snapshot of himself in which he is that the problems were not of public disorder, but some-Mr Frost noticed more

were ripping down the fences.
"They used their bare

ress Disorder (PTSD).
"You've got me on a good climbed into the next pen and for which South Yorkshire top of them — their eyes — the constability.

Mr Frost's PTSD has cost and I couldn't."

complete breakdown of police management that day."

The solicitors warned us early on that if we wanted a

bodies. 'It was like Dante's shoulder length hair and a bodies. It was like banks is jeans and a horiespun top of the sort worn by mountaineers and hippies. There are pink friendship bracelets on his wrist.

"I lost my faith in that uniform and what it represents cided not to wait for orders which, he feared would never

t no the fencing. Blue, dead eyes and open." As he and a colleague at — worked desperately to save

He saw much that shocked him, things which shook his

as. since it happened. I see it all "Tve not spoken out publiche time. I smell the smells of

there was chaos and I had to arrest four."

He was amazed by the detention area under the North
Stand and it was then he had work properly again. I have

was mayhem."

Back on the pitch near the pens, Mr Frost saw a colleague inside spreadeagled and clinging to the wire pro-

emergency services. who dealt with the dead and dying and suffered psycholog-ical problems as a result have Soon after kick-off, PC moral crusade this wouldn't ical problems as a result have be it—that it would be a bitwere sent along the perimeter ter fight over money. I anticitrack to help with fights pated responses like the ones than £200,000, which include lost earnings and pension rights. The smallest awards were less than £10,000 for offi-cers still serving. The highest award for stress was nearly £40,000.

The officers include those who entered the pens in which many of the 96 fans at an intimation of serious trou-ble. "The room was packed, it was mayhem." to support myself and my daughter. The claim is not blood money, it is what any-In a settlement agree the Liverpool-Nottingham

police provokes anger

£1.2m for Hillsborough

Loss of an eye: £25,000 Loss of leg or arm: £50,000 Paralysed, weist down: £90,000 Peralysed, neck down: £125,000

Psychiatric injuries autoide: £2,000 Zeebrugge traums victims: £7,000 to £20,000

(le rape victim) : £35,000 (flat rata): £10,000

> police said the force's insur-ers had advised them to make an out-of-court settlement. Simon Allen, the officers solicitor, insisted last night that the awards were consis-tent with court guidelines for

liability. Last night, a spokes-woman for South Yorkshire

subjected to the gruesome | Local Labour MP Peter Kilscenes of a tragedy such as foyle said: "I don't doubt Hillsborough they are likely some of the police have suf-to be mentally affected as a result," said Mr Allen. "They are entitled to compensation accept the reasonable risks of but there can be no adequate their service, but they should compensation for the loss of not be expected to deal with children and other members the negligent actions of

The twisted wreckage after the disaster at Hillsborough. PC Frost had worked desperately to help people while fans ripped down fences to save friends

Privately senior officers exed dismay at the awards which they believe will set a precedent and "could open the floodgates" to other claims from emergency ser-tims. The action had been vice workers. Senior officers fear that the size of the settlements, which come from police budgets, will affect staffing levels. The chairman of the Hills-

borough Families Support Group, Trevor Hicks, who Group, Trevor Hicks, who lost two teenage daughters in the disaster, said he and other families were appalled at the news. "Obviously we accept that these police officers are human beings and they have human emotions the same as anyone else," Mr Hicks said. "But these officers chose to be police officers. We did not event, re-experienced it in choose to be victims ... Now every member of the emer-gency services could claim

compensation for seeing

something horrific."

Former Wimbledon

champion Michael

of families."

Ian Westwood, the vice-chairman of the Police Federation, which backed the legal action, expressed his sympabrought partly because the tragedy had been avoidable. A police officer accepted sudden death and tragedy but

did not accept injury and illness as a result of negligence. Six other officers involved in the disaster but to a lesser for damages last year and are

appealing.
According to lawyers the grounds for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder claims are specific. Claimants must have been involved in or personally witnessed a traumatic recollections; there must be persistent evidence of trauma (eg fear of crowds) with symptoms lasting for more than a

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#### Inside

by the neo classical sculptor, Antonio Canova, found in a garden in 1992, is to be auctioned for more than £1 million.

**World News** 

Duncan Campbell and Owen Bowcott

HE award of more than \$1 million to

police officers trau-matised by the Hills-

saster in 1989 provoked

warnings last night of "flood-

gates" opening for similar claims. Senior officers are

warning that such awards

could have serious ramifica-

Anatoli Sobchak, a liberal, was ousted as St Petersburg mayor, which could have a big impact on Boris Yeltsin's election campaign.

Consumers could ... save £8 a year when BT phone. charges are reduced next year under

new price controls

from the watchdog.

Stich knocked title-holder Thomas Muster out of the French Open.

Sport

# Female God stirs | EU up devil of a row



Martin Wainwright

OD was in her antique shop yesterday and all was well with the world — though Melanie Harris was running pretty close to the deadline with repairs to a pair of Biblical trousers.

Forty minutes to curtain-up, and her ancient Bernina Sport sewing machine was rattling down the hem of the baggy pants worn by the Blind Man in the latest York Mystery Plays, opening tomorrow amid much excitement.

God is a woman, along with one of the Devil's three separate personalities, while Mary, Mother of God is six months into a conventional pregnancy. The Blind Man, however, remains firmly male, and the dozens of sacklike medieval frocks in the Theatre Royal's wardrobe de-partment clearly would not do

"He gets his sight back," said Melanie's colleague. Carol Williams, who runs the cramped, top-floor muddle of dress patterns, spools of thread and Satan's lovely. furry wings. "And we're mak-ing sure he also gets back his

Trousers are not the thing for gold-draped Ruth Ford, whose casting as the Almighty has proved an inspira-tion for the plays, the eleventh cycle since the 14th century

drama was revived in 1951. Ms Ford, aged 63, is taking it all calmly, pottering from her antique shop on the other side of town. Venerable teddies are for sale, beside a "Confidential memorandum on the sub-ject of social and official intercourse between Indians", once owned by a chap in the 2nd Punjabi Brigade.

It's a bit of a transition to Liz Lochhead's adaptation of the plays' robust mediaeval verse. But the baddies in the cast are helping the Supreme Being as much as they can.

"I may be the Devil, but I

First night

**Bob Flynn** 

John Prine

under spotlight

make any jokes at God's expense, just because she's a woman," said Dave Parkinson, scooting up to Lucifer's dressing room. "God and Jesus get much bigger parts than I do, as is only proper."

A multi-media computer rogammer — an amateur. ike all the 170-strong cast — Mr Parkinson has had to defer to an outside devil as far as trouble-making goes: The Venerable George Austin, Archdeacon of York. The portly clergyman weighed in early with an attack on Ms Ford's casting as "political correct-

ness gone mad".
"Alas", said Pippa McPherson of the theatre. "Without realising it, we'd dropped our-selves into the hottest controversy affecting the Church of England. Some people found it hard to believe that it wasn't done on purpose."

Jovial George has come round since, persuaded that there wasn't a witches' conthere wasn't a witches' con-spiracy. "There was nothing in my adaptation to suggest a woman God," said Ms Loch-head firmly. The theatre's ex-ecutive director, Elizabeth Jones, recalled: "Before John Doyle [the producer] told me about Ruth, he said, 'You'd better come and sit down and have a cup of strong coffee!." At the box office staff last

At the box office, staff last night inadvertently continued York's gender-reversal ex-York's gender-reversal ex-periment. "There you are, sir," the duty ticket lady told an androgynous, but on fur-tive closer inspection, defi-nitely female customer. The pregnancy of Mary, Mother of God, meanwhile hasn't required any metic

hasn't required any poetic, medieval allusions to explain it, although actress Gwynneth Young started last night's rehearsal with a series of relaxing exercises. The Virgin Mary is played this year, as almost always, by a teenage

Dorm Sex at Queen Ethelburga's School? "No, no," said Ms McPherson. "The Virgin Mary is the same character as Mary, Mother of God, but at a different age and played by a different actress." Lauren O'Rooke Walker,

aged 17, the schoolgirl visited by the Angel Gabriel, is slim as a whistle. Queen Ethelburga's, which regularly, expensively advertises its suitabil-ity for shaping the character of young ladies, can

in the country arena, filled with biting satire and always

with a steely eye on the col-lapsing heartland of the Amer

ican experience.

**'Other** states may act 🔣 in as bloody minded a way as the British'



# Breakthrough in sight over beef ban

Stephen Bates and John Palmer in Luxembourg and

NTENSIVE lobbying, with the backing of the European Commission, was last night beginning to break the logiam over lifting the ban on British beef byproducts at a meeting of agri-culture ministers in Lux-

mbourg. The Government offered significant concessions yes terday, even as a succession of ministers did their best to paralyse EU decision-making dition of Spain. By mid-

was strong pressure on the Benelux countries, whose votes were needed under qualified majority rules, to

Each country's vote is based on approximate population, ranging from 10 for Britain, France, Germany and Italy, down to 2 for Luxembourg, with 62 out of 87 required for a majority. In national terms, the 15 nember states moved from

8-7 in favour of lifting the ban, achieved at the veteri-nary experts' meeting a fort-night ago, to 9-6 with the ad-

whistlestop tour of EU capi-tals by Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, starting

Earlier, ministers blocked the setting of a European year against racism, moves to encourage equality for women and action to counter EU budget fraud.

But the Government was warned by Ireland, an ally over lifting the beef derivatives ban, and the incoming president of the union, that it was close to exhausting the goodwill of its EU partners. "There may be times during unveiled proposals to make it

spective," the Irish farm minister, Ivan Yates, said. "We may reach a point where the resistance of other member states is such that they act in as bloodyminded a way as the

Douglas Hogg, the Agricul-ture Minister, presented a 120 page report outlining the measures Britain was taking to eliminate BSE, which conceded that controls on animal feed introduced seven years ago had proved inadequate.

ministers in Luxembourg as a confession of the failure of past British controls on BSE. said: "Controls in the UK to date have had less impact than intended, because of incomplete compliance.

The concessions underlined John Major's urgent need to claim a victory in the beef war before what Douglas Hurd, the former foreign secretary, called poisonous splits push rival wings of his party even further apart. John Redwood, the former

cabinet minister. Is deter-

Agreement on a phased our presidency when we have a criminal offence to hold sceptics offensive and widen removal of the overall ban to tell the British ... what is feedstuffs made from animal Britain's quarrel with a fresh hangs on the outcome of a realistic from a European per protein. The report seen by attack this week on the European per protein. pean Court of Justice and a claim that the economic policies of the EU's political elite have "deliberately" increased unemployment.

return from its Whitsun break today, most MPs on both sides hope that Mr Hogg's package has turned the tide in Brussels, starting with the lifting of the ban on tallow, gelatin and semen.

page 5; Hugo Young, page 8; Dalgety fears profit drop,

# Envoy flies into Cyprus flare-up Turkishattack

Mass protests expected today after Turks kills Greek soldier

Chris Drake in Nicosia

RITISH peacekeeping troops in Cyprus are on full alert today after Turkish troops shot dead a ing. Similar demonstrations meet the Turkish Cypriot der and did not stop as he was Greek Cypriot soldier yester in the past — often encourleader. Rauf Denktash. He ordered."

day. The killing came hours aged by hardline teachers — will also meet the Cypriot Ankara has nearly 30,000 before Britain's special envoy, resulted in stone-throwing president. Glafkos Clerides, troops on the island, which Legend stands up Sir David Hannay, arrived on the island last night in a fresh effort to reunite its divided

communities.

The soldler, aged 19, was killed in the United Nations buffer zone on the so-called Green Line which divides the capital, Nicosia. It is an area guarded by the 377 members of 12 Regiment, Royal Artil-lery, attached to the United

The UN fears hundreds of Greek Cypriot schoolchildren will abandon classes and gather at the main crossing point to the island's northern sector to protest at the shootand brawls with the UN peacekeepers as angry dem-onstrators attempted to reach

Turkish checkpoints. The shooting and any mass protests will provide Sir David with plenty of evidence of the problems on this holi-day island, which has been di-vided since 1974. He said the shooting "underlines the fra-gility of the status quo. We must avoid the need to have | buffer zone, at least two shots | sell goods.

The former ambassador to whether Pethe UN flew in for his first at the time.

of retirement two weeks ago as Britain's special representative to Cyprus. Sir David is scheduled to cross to the north today to dier crossed through the bor-

visit since being brought out

who condemned the killing as "cold-blooded murder". The young national guards man, Stelios Panayi, had left his post in a dried up river bed not far from the British High Commission and gone to meet a soldier from the opposing side, to exchange military caps, according to uncon-

firmed reports. While both were in the

people with loaded guns fac-ing each other across the middle of a capital city." were disputed accounts of were disputed accounts of whether Panayi was armed

> Mr Denktash said Panayi had ignored calls to stop.
> This was a very saddening event. But this regrettable event occurred because a sol-

lies about 50 miles off the Turkish mainland, but why a soldier decided to open fire on this occasion is not clear. With the buffer zone running the length of the island, soldlers from either side are often stationed just yards apart. While strictly against military rules, they meet or talk to each other frequently, and sometimes exchange or



Cyprus chronology

July 20, 1974: Turkey inveded Cyprus, eventually occupying northern part of island. 200,000 Greek Cypriots fied to live in the south.

Feb 13, 1975: Turkish Federated State proclaimed in the north. Rauf Denktash appointed president and declared state would not seek international recognition.

@ Nov 15, 1983: "Turken Republic of Northern Cyprus" propiet recognised only by Ankara

May 1984: UN Security Council declared at

#### From the opening number, HEY came on like some-thing out of Reservoir all Tex-mex guitar swing. earthquake-inducing double bass and Cajun-style accor-dion from the fabulous, black-bereted Phil Parlapiano, we Dogs, four guys in black 'I see it all suits, thin ties, ready for serious work. Three young faces fronted by one that looked like the time, I knew we had come to the right it had seen every truckstop in America. It was this one that place, and that some legends smell the do live up to their name. belonged to the undercover Prine's clipped, haggard vocals spin out tales of trailer park glory and the twisting knife of doomed love. The stamp of authenticity is in his face and voice. Songs like The dead and star of American country roots music, John Prine. After 25 years as a semi-reclusive dying. It took musical legend, this was Prìne's first appearance in me years to Scotland and an all too rare Sins of Memphisto were sly and funny, while the classic Sam Stone, about a drugaddicted Vietnam veteran, was brooding and poignant. Time and again, in the twohour set, Prine brought his audience to their feet. His long sele sequence invisit to the UK — a coup for the ever growing Big, Big Country festival in Glasgow. convince

To say that Prine is a mythi-cal figure is an understatement. He has always avoided the glare of the big time, but His long solo sequence un has influenced everyone from Bruce Springsteen to Tom Petty, who, among others, furled his past triumphs, his sharp guitar picking and wry vocals etching the lines into our minds. His habit of slip-ping deceptively complex lyrbacked him on his last album, Lost Dogs And Mixed Bless-ings. His Glasgow concert sold out within days. Glaswegians ics into the simple framework of country produced surreal tales such as The Bottomless know their country music and transformed the Old Fruitmarket into the Grand Ole

Lake and Space Monkey alongside the devastating Prisoner's Song. The band finished with a Oprey for the night. They used to call Prine the new Dylan, and there are simmering slow burning build-up into a new song, Lake Marie, a typical Prine compovocal cadences and lyrical images that are comparable, but Prine is really the father of new country — around long before Nanci Griffiths and the sition blending stories of a shattered marriage with serial killer deaths, a quietly rest came along. Rejecting the terrifying tale of lost America As a soloist Prine is brilliant rhinestones and major record label deals to establish his own record company. Prine amalgamated folk, rock, enough, but to bring along a young band of such consistent dynamic brilliance was a treat Texan and New Orleans swing that would have you shooting into the country sound and out the porch lights. writes songs that are unique

Big guns put squeeze on Blair to stick with old voting system

portional system, called the

Some first-past-the-post

norters of change are urging

Labour's Road to Manifesto

document next month to

Patrick Wintour

GERALD Kaufman and Roy Hattersley, two of Labour's most senior politi-

cians, are to join forces

tomorrow to launch a cam-paign to stop Tony Blair lead-

ing Labour away from its tra-

# myself I did everything l could'

Hillsborough: Part of me died that day PHOTOGRAPH FRANK BARO

continued from page 1 to." Other officers and families of victims have attacked the notion of compensation awards. The 14 are to be awarded on the basis that they were at the site of the

Families of victims who watched the disaster unfold on TV or who were at the far end of the pitch were unsuccessful in their claims, adding to the bitterness. Rescue workers are expected to have a higher level of disaster tolerance, and the recognition of PTSD itself remains contentious. Mr Frost said: "We're human beings. If we weren't there'd be a Judge Dredd kind

of society." He remained in the force but became agressive and vio-lent. He started to drink heavily. He was unaware that for two weeks at a time he would not speak to his wife whom he married four months after Hillsborough. rumours that Mr Blair now For months he refused to adprivately backs a more pro- mit anything was wrong. In November 1989, he went to a counsellor to prove there was Some first-past-the-post nothing wrong — and broke campaigners fear that suptherapist and has been taking Mr Blair to use publication of anti-depressants since then. So alienated had he become that he would often disappear ditional support for the first loosen the party's committo the moors with a sleeping past the post electoral system.

bag and a bottle of Scotch.
"Out there I had nothing to

worry about." In January 1990 he was discharged from the police for psychiatric

Four years ago his daugh-ter, Victoria, was born and his spirits lifted, but even his love for his child could not bring him out of his depression. His marriage lasted five years until a row erupted during which Mr Frost pinned to strangle her. He has no recall of this. His aggression has abated

in the last year but he is overwhelmed by a sense of loss, grief, anger and meaningless-ness. He is less likely to threaten a stranger, tempted though he often is, and more likely to drink until he is numb. He has a part-time job at a school for autistic children, but has to have a lot of time off. He writes poetry. At times all that is between him and driving his car over the edge of a cliff is the thought of his daughter, whom he sees

regularly. "When I have felt suicidal I have done stupid things. I have driven along the wrong so how can you punish side of the road and I told my wife what music to play at my funeral — the Samuel Barber Adagto for Strings — do you by a lack of hope. "But I hope know it?" He plays it, it is I'm getting better. I have haunting and sepulchral.

cause I feel I always have to plane crashed out there now," he points out of the den decked with blossom, "I'd know exactly what to do.
"Whatever I do — climbing
mountain biking, drinking —

do it to excess, to 110 per cent, to complete exhaustion." Mr Frost joined the police at 17 with "a sense of duty to humanity." He had wanted to be a doctor but thought he wasn't clever enough. "But

any hope I had that I'd make a difference as a policeman was vapourised at Hillsborough." He liked community policing, "I worked in some of the areas delinquent kids came from. To them I was Dave and not some dickhead in a big

"I enjoyed taking those kids camping to show them altermost of them seen apart from the squalour of their run down estates? They had no hope and without hope people feel they have nothing to lose

Like these kids, Mr Frost himself has been tormented hope, hope that I will get Even when he feels suicidal some faith back in myself," he keeps fit. "I think it's be he sighs deeply.

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England squad closes ranks behind collective responsibility as FA refuses to name names over in-flight celebrations that got out of hand

# Gascoigne affair: They're all guilty

HE England soccer squad walked into another storm yesterday when it closed ranks and agreed to take collective responsibility for the damage in-flicted on a Cathy Pacific aeroplane during last month's flight back from two Euro 96

warm-up games in Asia. The decision not to name those guilty of causing £5,000

drinking bout to celebrate Paul Gascoigne's 29th birth day followed a private investi-gation by the England coach, Terry Venables, on Sunday evening and yesterday

It brought instant criticism from police and politicians. Chief Supt Brian Mackenzie, president of the Police Superintendents' Association of England and Wales, said: "It seems incongruous that there's some kind of collective responsibility being ap-portioned here particularly as, in a sense, those not in-

volved may be tarred with the same brush.

The Tory MP David Wil shire called it a "splendid cover-up" while Menzies Campbell MP, the Liberal Democrat spokesman on sport, said it was an "unsatisfactory outcome to an incident which has done nothing for English football. Discipline should have been swift

and specific."
Labour MP Tony Banks said: "Why has this taken so long? Either they are all guilty, in which case it's even

sorted out yesterday without any individuals being exposed to public pillory, so the squad could get on with preparations for their first game against Switzerland next Saturday.

Venables said in a state-ment that "financial penalties will be imposed", though on whom was unclear. One element of uncertainty was cleared up last night when Cathay Pacific said "a full and final settlement for damage to on-board equipment" had been reached with the

said it was "in the region of £5,000". Agreement had been between solicitors in the last two minutes", and payment would be by the FA.

FA's chief executive, Graham Kelly, and the chairman of its international committee, Noel White, yesterday. There had been calls for the culprits to be dropped from the squad, but this was never a serious option so close to the

spokesman for the airline who was not, Venables warned that three players originally accused in sections of the media of causing the damage were "seeking legal advice on compensation for Venables reported to the the barm to their reputations. They were very angry that they had taken the blame publicly — and without justifica-tion they believe — for the reported damage to the aero-plane." The three are under-

Venables said: "I have

Fowler and Steve McMan-

Venables wanted the matter | Football Association. A | about who was guilty and | spent several hours talking to | the first time I have had any the players about the allegations. The England squad has accepted collective responsibility for what has happened. The players have expressed their sincere regret over the incident. The matter is now being dealt with internally."

The squad has taken the collective blame despite Ven-ables admitting that "most other members of the squad appeared to have been totally unaware of any problems on the flight until they reached

Venables added: "This is

complaints about the behavers while I've been in charge. The recent visit to Hong Kong and China produced letters of praise from the hotels where we all stayed and invitations to return again."

Any hopes the England coach entertains that the matmature. Today's training session will be the first since the incidents open to the media.





**Lost Canova** cupid statue found under moss and paint layers



The cleaned-up cupid, above, and, top left, before restoration, after which it proved to be the work of Antonio Canova, bottom left MAN PHOTOGRAPH GARRY WEASE

# £1m windfall at the bottom of the garden

Dan Glaister Arts Correspon

F YOU have a paint-covered, moss-strewn statue at the bottom of the gar-den, brush off the dirt, strip away the paint and have it valued. This is the lesson to be learnt from a sale announced yesterday of a statue found in a West

Country garden in 1992. In a twist that would bring a flush to the cheeks of Hugh Scully, presenter of BBC1's Antiques Roadshow, the statue turned out to be a lost work by Antonio Canova, the neo-classical sculptor most famous

for the Three Graces statue, the subject of a prolonged tussle to prevent it leaving this country. It is not known how much

was paid for the new find when it was discovered, but it is expected to sell for at least £1 million when Soth-eby's auction it in London on July 4. The identity of the seller is unknown, as is the identity of the unfortunate previous owner.

The marble statue, just over 4 ft high, is a life-size representation of an amorino or cupid. one of four similar works by the artist. The other three are in Poland, Cambridge and St Petersburg.

white paint that was covering it has protected the original surface." The only parts of the statue that

show deterioration, are those not covered by paint. It is very rare for a single Canova figure to come up for sale. A marble bust by the artist was sold last year for £395,000. Another Ca-nova bust, estimated to be worth £695,000, is currently the subject of a similar battle to the Three

"The current seller purchased it without knowing what it was," said Conrad Webb, of Sotheby's, yesterday. "Fortunately, the misza. The donations allowed Britain to match the £7.6 million paid by the Californian Getty museum in 1989.

The cupid, the whereabouts of which have been unknown since the last century, was previously be-lieved to have been in North Wales. It was commissioned in 1791 by John David Latouche. "He was the son of an Irish banker. which is presumbly why he Graces. The tussle over the had the money," said Mr Three Graces came to an Webb. "As a 17-year-old he

was in Rome, doing the grand tours. He went to Canova's studio, saw other versions of the same work, and tried to buy it. But even though Canova had

not yet been paid for them, be refused to sell." Undeterred, Latouche commissioned his own. 'Latouche's one became Canova's finely refined ideal for the figure," said Mr Webb. "It is a rare opportunity for a collector or an institution." Art histo-rian Hugh Honour described the cupid as a "piv-otal work" in an essay published in 1994.

Mr Scully was unavail-



# **House prices** 'set to rise 5pc'

Larry Elliott and Cliff Jones

OVERNMENT hopes of a recovery in its political fortunes are boosted today by the news that the Halifax Building Society. Britain's biggest mortgage lender, is revising its prediction of house price growth in 1996 from 2 per cent to 5 per cent.

Reporting the tenth successive monthly increase in the cost of a home, the Halifax says prices rose by 1 per cent in May as low interest rates, falling unemployment and the impact of Budget tax cuts helped underpin demand in the spring buying season.

Ministers believe the sevenyear slump in the housing market is a key factor behind the Government's low standing in the opinion polls, and that the recent upward trend is a sign that consumer confidence is coming back.

Although fresh figures yes-terday showed that manufacturing industry is being hadly affected by Europe's reces-sion, spending in the high street has been picking up since mortgage rates were first cut last autumn.

However, the recent strength of the pound has calmed City fears of higher inflation, and dealers expect Clarke, and the Governor of the Bank of England, Eddie George, meet to discuss inter-

est rates tomorrow. The Halifax, which has been cautious about upgrading its forecast after a series of false dawns, said its change of heart was based on the fact that prices were now 4.6 per cent higher than they were a year ago. Last year, the Hali-fax predicted that house prices would rise by 3 per cent but in the event prices

fell by 1.7 per cent. The society's revised prediction brings it in line with stockbrokers UBS, whose housing anlaysts said last

month that prices in 1996 would rise by 5 per cent. Gary Marsh, assistant general manager of corporate af-fairs for the Halifax, warned that it was unlikely prices would rise by as much as 1 per cent in months to come. adding that the market was "still perceived to be fragile in terms of the number of transactions". But he said the society now expected the recovery to continue, prompting it to boost its forecast for the year as a whole.

May's rise was slightly higher than the 0.9 per cent increase in April and helped lift the average house price to

#### No beef between diplomats as Germans share British embassy

SOMEBODY should have chalker was busy justifying why Britain should block European leglislation de-signed to help the Third World, and here was her own department cuddling up to

The Overseas Development Minister's boss knew about it. of course. For all his tough rhetoric, Malcolm Rifkind, Foreign Secretary, even fect. We do not mention beef nipped over to give the here. It is not something we scheme his blessing.
The British and Germans

might be at each other throats in the conference rooms of in Reykjavik, Iceland, they are embarking on the first in series of joint ventures —

sharing an embassy. This is the age of cost-cutting, and although the two diplomatic staffs will have separate offices, they will

Wills, head of the British mission, explained: "The Germans are a bigger embassy. It's just one of those things. We have been affected by cuts, though we've been about this size for four years.

One floor up. Hartmut Weineck, administrative offi-cer at the German embassy, showed what it takes to be a diplomat. 'We hope it will be a happy arrangement. We do except for this minor thing, co-operation between Great Britain and Germany is per-

talk about, or joke about. Sharing embassies is called co-location, a post-Cold War trend that extends to the Kathe European Community but zakhstan capital Almary, the in Reykjavik, Iceland, they hardship post to end all hardship posts, where the German, British and French missions have all been brought under one roof. In Minsk, Be larus, the British and Italians

share an embassy. In Quito, Ecuador, there is share an interview room, a to be a joint German-British conference chamber, and chancellery; in Abuja, the more controversially, a canteen. British beef is apparently unavailable.

chancellery; in Abuja, the new capital of Nigeria. 13 EU states are planning to set up a European chancellery. This apparently unavailable.

The British have drawn the short straw on space, with the completed if they disagree, as seems likely. Germans occupying two over sanctions against the floors to Britain's one. Jane | military regime. Or even beef.

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# Ofwat hands out £40m 'fine' to water firm

Chris Barrie and Martin Wainwright

ORKSHIRE Water, the company synonymous with water shortages and public relations disasters, was "fined" £40 million by the industry watchdog yesterday and warned it faced tough scrutiny. Having almost cut supplies

last summer, Yorkshire was found guilty of "serious fail-ures" in its control of leaks and sewer flooding after a lengthy inquiry by Ian Byatt, director general of water ser-

He penalised Yorkshire by restricting it to price rises of no more than inflation in 1997-98. Before Mr Byatt's rul-ing. Yorkshire had been per-

mitted a 2.5 per cent increase.
Households will pay £6 less
next year as a result. Price
rises for the following two
years will be lower than expected, saving households £18 in all over three years.

Mr Byatt said the company had been allowed price in-creases specifically to enable it to meet its supply obliga-tions and to deliver adequate services. But Yorkshire had "failed to do so in some important areas".

His ruling will cut Yorkshire's revenues by £40 mil-lion. It also faces bills of £47 million for tankering water by road to drought-affected areas, and of £65 million for extra spending to put right the company's poor record on maintaining supplies and cut-

Mr Byatt also demanded the core water business be financially ring-fenced so he can scrutimise profits and spending more easily. The di-rector general criticised Yorkshire's decision to pay a 250 million special dividend to its parent group last

The Ofwat measures will require Yorkshire to cut by two-thirds the number of customers who suffer unplanned supply cuts by the end of the decade. Sewer flooding, twice



Supplies of Yorkshire's emergency drinking water

where else, must be halved in the same time. Leaks and low pressure problems must also

be sharply reduced.

Brandon Gough, chairman
of Yorkshire Water, said:
"Mistakes have been made in the past, but we are determined to put them right." The company had already com-mitted £170 million to protect water supplies.
The two-year price freez

was given a qualified wel-come by the Yorkshire consumers' group WaterWatch, which effectively took on Of-

up to last year's drought. Campaigns officer Peter Bowler said: "Ian Byatt is only now dealing with prob-lems which Water Watch highlighted two years ago. A year ago, his regional customer services committee was congratulating Yorkshire Water on its efforts to reduce leakage. We knew then that

leakage was out of control." Frank Dobson, Labour's encomed Ofwat's action but criticised the regulator for allowing "this shambles" in

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### IRA 'has added new mortar to arsenal since ceasefire'

the serviceability of the

Sam missile and say that the IRA has been having difficulty in obtaining deto-

nators. Though the IRA is believed to be manufactur-ing its own detonators, the

failure to explode a bomb

under Hammersmith Bridge in west London in April suggests it is still having trouble.

more likely to get caught.

components such as nitro-

'Mark 17' one of most destructive weapons in armoury, say experts

Richard Norton-Taylor

a new type of mortar, described as one of the most destructive weapons in its arsenal, according to an analysis by Jane's Intellgence Review.

The review, quoting intelligence sources in the Republic, says that the veloped during the cease-fire and has been tested in the Carlingford Lough area south of the border. It estimates that weapons

in the IRA armoury, most of which are hidden in the Republic, include 650 AK47 assault rifles, 20 heavy machine guns, and 60 revolvers. It claims that the organisation also has 40 rocket launchers, 600 detonators, and one Sam 7 surface-to-air missile. British intelligence

tities of Semtex in the IRA's possession.

Review, which will publish an analysis of the IRA in its July and August editions. estimates that the IRA has three tonnes of Semtex. Other sources say two Even the lower figure would be enough to make hundreds of bombs.

The large amount of Semtex — about 301b — used in Hammersmith Bridge bomb suggests that the IRA has amole supplies.

Security forces in Britain regard the issue of decom-The IRA is estimated to missioning weapons as es-sentially a political queshave about 400 hard-core activists. Day-to-day runtion. IRA units, they say, ning of the organisation is are unlikely to use guns in conducted by a seven-person Army Council. An in-ternal Irish police report decommissioning contains the names and But Sinn Fein's surpr Britain, apart from in selfprotection, since they are Security forces are more concerned about continuing IRA training and tar-geting, and its ability to make home-made nail IRA, according to Jane's Inbombs, and explosives from

telligence Review. The report, it says, conbenzene, fertiliser, and addresses of three members concerned about the quan-Northern Ire addresses of two of the fire. three members who live in

# IRA: men Last-ditch move over Ulster peace talks

Patrick Wintour, Chief **Political Correspondent** 

HE Ulster Unionist leader David Trimble vesterday met John Major to make a last attempt to resolve the basis of pext Monday's all party talks on the future of Northern Ireland, including a timetable for the decomis-sioning of IRA arms. A third and final meeting

between the British and Irish governments today is ex-pected to settle the procedure for the talks.

Both governments expect a communique in which the RA will be required to decommission some arms by September so long as progress is being made on the political

The communique is also likely to state that Senator George Mitchell, the adviser to President Clinton, will be given the chairmanship of the body overseeing decommis-ioning and the strand of talks on the future of North-South

relations.

Mr Mitchell's precise role
has been the subject of a long
arangle between the two governments, partly due to Unionists' suspicions of him. The Irish and British govern-ments hope this broad frame-work for talks will convince the IRA to restore its cease-fire unequivocally, the sole precondition set by both sovernments for Sinn Fein's inclusion in the talks.

Sinn Fein will also be required as a first step in the talks to sign up to the Mitch-ell principles on non-violence set out by the senator in a government sponsored report in January, something that Sinn Fein has said it is pre-

The IRA has been suspicious of any talks procedure that allows the Unionists to block the talks at the outset

But Sinn Fein's surprisingly addresses of those believed high 15 per cent share of the to occupy key positions in votes in last week's elections the upper echelons of the is seen as an endorsement of the peace strategy of the Sinn Fein president Gerry Adams. therby putting pressure on tains the names and the IRA to reinstate the cease-

However, British ministers

Trimble's party fell slightly, possibly putting pressure on him to take a less constructive line that he has in the

The Northern Ireland Secretary, Sir Patrick Mayhew, reiterated at the weekend that he is not insisting on an IRA hand-over of arms at the start of the talks, but he is still insisting, as is Mr Trimble, on some decommissioning during the talks.

Mr Trimble, despite the pressures on him, may just be willing to forgo some decom-missioning at the start of the

But he wants to ensure that the two governments today agree a clear procedure and timetable wherby phased de-commissioning will take place during the talks.

Mr Trimble could also press for signs of IRA de-esca-lation of violence before September, short of arms de-

'There will be no immediate ceasefire announcement

from the IRA'

commissioning, including an end to punishment beatings. something he regards as an indispensable consequence of Sinn Fein agreeing to sign up to the six Mitchell principles on non-violence at the start of

the talks. Before Mr Trimble met Mr Major, his fellow Ulster Unionist MP. Ken Maginnis. predicted the IRA would not restore the ceasefure before next Monday so renderign pointless any further concessions by the two governments to lure the IRA into a fresh ceasefire and so let Sinn Fein

into the talks. Mr Maginnis predicted: "There will be no immediate ceasefire announcement. Sinn Feln IRA will seek a propaganda coup by resisting that demand until after June

"They intend to project themselves internationally as victims of government intransigence in order to try to restore their tarnished image

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#### **News** in brief

### Children leave over troublesome pupil

ANOTHER 10 children have been withdrawn from Seeley Church of England School in Nottingham because of an eight-year-old boy's alleged misbehaviour.

The parents of Kyle Bent and the school governors had assured parents that his behaviour had improved after he had attacked staff and punils. But parents claim he is still causing assured parents that his behaviour had improved after he mad attacked staff and pupils. But parents claim he is still causing trouble. Last month parents of seven pupils transferred them to another school. During half-term a further 10 children left. Psychologists diagnosed that the boy was suffering from what they called Attention Deficiency Disorder.

#### Couple found shot at station

A MAN and a woman were found shot dead in a car at Frimley, a busy Surrey commuter station yesterday.

Forensic scientists are investigating. It is not yet known why the two were shot or whether police are seeking anyone in

A spokeswoman for Surrey police said: "Two people, one male and one female, have been found dead in a car at Frimley railway station. They are believed to have died from gunshot wounds."

A spokeswoman for Surrey Ambulance Service said the woman had died after being shot in the head with a shotgun.

#### Keeping street lights burning

BUSINESSMAN Norman Jacobs, 73, yesterday told how he accidentally discovered that he had been paying to light up part of Wisbech town centre for nearly 50 years.

He was amazed to find two council street lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was amazed to find two councils treet lights in the Cambas was a council to the cambas was a

bridgeshire town were plugged into the electricity supply in the Corn Exchange, which he owned. He said when the heating system at was turned off the street lights went out too. Council engineers discovered a wire linking them into Mr Jacob's elec-

tricity supply.

Mr Jacobs has owned the building since 1948. He is now talking

Mr Jacobs has owned the building since 1948. He is now talking to Fenland district council about compensation. Estimates of the bill ranged from £1,500 to £7,000.

#### Foot's nephew injured

OLIVER FOOT, son of Lord Caradon and nephew of former Labour leader Michael Foot, is recovering in hospital after being critically injured in a motorcycle accident, it emerged yesterday. The former Z Cars actor and president of Orbis, the world's

only flying eye hospital, has a broken neck and is partially paralysed, said his brother, journalist Paul Foot.
The accident happened on May 17. A friend said: "He has lost the use of his right hand."

Doctors at St Thomas' Hospital are hoping to fit a cast which will enable him to walk while the bones fuse.

#### inquiry call on killer's release

A LABOUR MP yesterday called on the Scottish Secretary. Michael Forsyth, to order an independent inquiry after it emerged that convicted rapist Gavin McGuire had been relation custody just 19 days before he murdered a schoolgir!

Cunninghame North MP Brian Wilson said in a letter to Mr Forsyth that all aspects of the case involving McGuire should be examined, along with a review of the Scottish penal system.

McGuire, 37, was jailed for life at the High Court in Glasgow last week after being convicted of murdering 16-year-old Kilmarnock girl Mhairi Julyan. It emerged after the trial that McGuire, who has a long history of violence against women, had been released by police on a charge of assault with intent to rape a woman in Kilbirnie because of insufficient evidence

#### 12-year feud settled

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Simple language

A 12-YEAR feud between a miner and a policeman ended with Leeds county court Judge Geoffrey Kamil yesterday telling them they had embroidered the facts and awarded them each \$76.

The case started a year ago and cost tens of thousands of pound in legal aid. The judge dismissed numerous claims and counter-claims made by police constable Arthur Horne and his next door neighbour, ex-miner Bill Wright in the feud, which had raged

since the 1984 miners' strike.
PC Horne, 46, and his wife, Julie, 45, claimed Mr Wright and his wife, Mollie, and their son and daughter-in-law, Anthony and Angela, who all lived in Kirby, west Yorkshire, had poisoned.

their show rottweiler dog, trained lights and a video camera on their home, and continually harassed frem.

The Wrights denied the allegations, claiming they were the victims because the Hornes used a listening device on their home and started a poster campaign claiming they had killed the dog.

Index Kamil found only two instances of the a winner and Judge Kamil found only two instances of true nuisance and harassment during the whole 12-year sagn: Mr Wright, 61, caused nuisance to the Hornes by repeatedly singing and whistling the Max Bygraves song It's a Sin to Tell a Lie, and Mr Horne had harassed Mr Wright by repeatedly following him home from a

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#### Fewer cases but doubt over whether cows can pass on disease to calves hinders action

# **BSE fight 'will last years'**

#### Certificates plan put to EU as cull of 80,000 cattle projected

Paul Brown Environmen

NEW plan designed to secure the lifting of the European Union export ban, get the stricken beef industry back to normal and eventually eradicate BSE was announced by the Gov-

ernment yesterday. The plan, claimed to be more stringent than those of other countries, involves giv-ing each animal a certificate showing its life history. If the animal develops BSE, it will he possible to trace and slaughter other animals it has been in contact with.

But the Government's 120page document, circulated to campaign of selective slaugh-

day, admits that cases of BSE will still be occurring in British cattle into the next cen-tury. It also acknowledges uncertainty about whether the disease can be passed from a cow to her calves.

The certificate system for grass-fed beef and dairy herds that have never experienced a case of BSE would start later this month and allow heef over 30 months old from unaffected herds to be sold on the open market in Britain and in the rest of Europe as soon as EU countries could be convinced the scheme was being

properly policed. Herds which have had cases of BSE will on the other hand be subject to a rigorous tive slaughtering and the 57

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**BSE** cases Confirmed cases per year, 000s

being circulated. The document said the Gov-Source: MAFF tering to remove all the ani-

mals which are most likely to have contracted the disease. The detailed document goes into the reasons for the deci-sion not to go for a large-scale slaughter policy, citing selec-

between June 1988 and May 1996 to eradicate BSE in Britain. These remove offal from carcases, regulate hygiene and prevent infected feed

ernment's objectives throughout have been to protect con-sumers of bovine products against any risk, however remote, that BSE may be transmissible to man, to eradicate BSE, and to prevent transmission to other species. One of the difficulties the Government admits it faces is the continued scientific uncertainty over how the disease is transmitted. The document blames the outbreak on transmission through feeding

protein from infected animals back to healthy cattle to make them grow faster.
It dismisses as unimportant the issue of whether cattle infected with the disease can they can, the ministry says, there would be so few cases that the eradication programme would still work.

The number of BSE cases was dropping by 40 per cent a year and was expected to be down to 8,000 this year from a peak in 1992 of 36,681. By the year 2000 there are still expected to be around 1,000 cases although the ministry was hoping its selective slaughtering policy would reduce this further.

A mass slaughter would not achieve any better results because it was not an infectious disease but to do with the infected feed. The idea is to de-stroy all cattle which have been born in the same group as an animal which has con-tracted the disease or have

Because of a new system of registering cattle, it was possible to identify all cases of

legal instruments introduced pass it on to calves. Even if | BSE in cattle born in the period from October 15, 1990 to June 1993 and trace all other cattle born on the same farms as those cattle in the same period. All these animals would be slaughtered.

The option of keeping cattle under restriction rather than destroying them has been discarded.

The coverage of the scheme would be extended to include new cases of BSE which occur during the remainder of 1996 in animals born from October 15, 1990. All cattle of similar age which have had similar diets in the same herds would also be slaughtered.

Rolling the action forward in this way would take the number of apparent healthy animals killed from 42,000 to 80,000. A small percentage of these would have been expected to contract BSE.

# Major bores into imperturbable European wall

Stephen Bates in Luxembourg

HE Grand Duchy of Luxembourg yesterday resembled a Ruritanian version of Piccadilly Circus. More than 50 Euro-pean ministers and their entourages wandered through the bleak corri-dors of the European Cen-tre, a grim example of Os civic architecture.

Inside, they were trip-ping over each other; outside, their limousines clocked the road. Ministerial gridlock threatened at a succession of meetings, at which the British exercised their vetoes.
"The trouble with British

non-co-operation is that it's so boring," said the Irish functionary from the Euro-pean Commission. "They don't just read out the statement about beef at the start of every meeting but at the start of every item

The admission may have been the first crack in the wall of European imper-turbability in the face of British obstructionism. Previously the Europeans have affected indifference at the British veto of all decisions requiring unanimity at ministerial council meetings. They find it quaintly absurd: an example of the strange Angio-Sexon sense of humour, as ministers have lined up to block measures with which the Government agrees in order to make its point over

Major's men may have found the continentals' Achilles heel: boredon Kenneth Clarke, the

Chancellor, seemed sanguine about the tactic yesterday, though he admitted it has not made him a Euro-sceptic: "I think ministers are irritated. I trust they will go back to their various capitals and impress on their agricultural col-leagues the need to make rapid progress in lifting the ban." The eight decisions blocked yesterday included proposals to eradicate fraud, which Britain has been particularly keen on, a move to impose VAT on cut flowers, which other member states would have blocked anyway, and a letter to the Lebanese prime

struction aid. Eric Forth, the Employto block the European Year against Racism and other pro-bono initiatives. He emerged waving a piece of paper, stating that although the Government supported the proposal in principle it would not currently do so in practice be

minister promising recon-

cause of the beef ban. The social affairs mints ters were chucked out of their meeting room at lunchtime to make way for the agriculture ministers. who had to decide on lifting the beef byproducts ban Douglas Hogg, the Agricul-ture Minister, was belat-edly flourishing a 120-page dossier of the measures order to make its point over Britain proposes to eradi-beef. Now, however, John cate the disease.





Ministers of war . . . Eric Forth and Kenneth Clarke. The Europeans now find British veto quaintly absurd

#### Minister talks down measures Britain will seek to block

Alan Travis Home Affairs Editor

ICHAEL Howard, the Home Secretary, will set aside his crime-fighting cre-dentials today and block eight European Union measures designed to combat illegal immigration, international terror

sm and drug trafficking as part of the continuing protest at the ban on British beef. However, Mr Howard was determined to talk down the

effect of the ban on progress

of today's meeting of the Jus-tice and Home Affairs Council in Luxembourg, despite the fact that any blocked decision will mean postponement until the next meeting in

October.
"I don't think any of them are earth-shaking in their significance, but they are useful measures, many of which we broadly support but which we are not going to allow to pro-ceed," he said.

Among the measures which national terrorism across Britain will block today are: ☐ European-wide sanctions

against employers using illegal immigrants from outside the EU. Agreement on the 1997 budget for the new Europol Drugs Unit. Based in the Hague and opened two years ago, it allows police and secu-rity services intelligence on drug trafficking and orga-nised crime to be circulated throughout the EU.

A British proposal to set up lence" for combatting inter-Europe. The establishment of an years of work.

Agreement on a new convention for the protection of children across Europe. New sanctions against the international laundering of EU funds embezzled through fraud and corruption. Any conclusion to the continning dispute over whether

Europol should be accountable to the European Court of Justice at Luxembourg. Agreement on the priorities for the council's next two

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ONATHAN Evans, junior minister in the Lord Chanelection cellor's Department respon-sible for handling the divorce bill, was yesterday named as the new Welsh Minister, tak-ing over from Rod Richards

who resigned after allegations of marital infidelity.

Mr Evans's job of piloting the bill through its final Commons stages has been handed to Gary Streeter, a 41-year-old junior whip and MP for Sutton Plymouth, who is a solicitor and a committed Christian.

Labour has threatened to scupper the bill which intro-duces no-fault divorce when the Commons report stage starts, probably on June 17. Labour claims the bill has been so radically altered it is now a dog's dinner. Some high moral Tories are threatening to vote against the

Mr Major announced the new positions after a short discussion with the Chief Whip Alastair Goodlad during a walk in St James's Park,

With only six Tory Welsh MPs from which to replace Mr Richards, Mr Evans became the most obvious choice | the last election,

after the experienced Sir Wyn Roberts rejected any thought of returning to the Welsh Office as a caretaker until the

Mr Evans said yesterday: "Rod Richards and his family have not only been constitu-ents of mine, but friends of mine for very many years. My thoughts are with them at this moment in time."

He gave a valedictory boost to the divorce bill, saying any legislation that had the backing of George Carey, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Cardinal Basil Hume, and the Mothers Union "was well worth supporting".

The bill was radically changed in the committee stage, most noticeably by in-troducing a three-month cooling off period, so making the waiting period for the grant-ing of a divorce effectively 21 It also places a new empha-

sis on marriage counselling

before divorce proceedings. Mr Evans will presumably take over Mr Richards's responsibilities for the Welsh language, the health service and education. He insisted Tory support in Wales was higher than it appeared. pointing out that nearly 28 per cent of the vote in Wales went to the Conservatives at

#### Evans

IONATHAN Evans, the Jnew Welsh Office Minister, is a bright and ambitious man who is probably privately less than thrilled at being moved from the high profile post in the Lord Chancellor's Depart-ment, writes Patrick Wintour. One colleague said: "He will feel like he has left Cardiff Arms Park at half

It is the second occasion he has been moved as a result of indiscretions by

out a minister capable of

Mr Evans, aged 46, is on the left of the party and claims his political hero is lain Macleod. He was born in Tredegar, but cannot speak Welsh — the first time in 25 years that the Welsh Office has been with-

the minister responsible

affairs in 1994 when Neil

Hamilton resigned over ac-

cusations that he had been

involved in cash for

speaking the language.
Mr Evans is MP for the three-way marginal Brecon and Radnor and has a maother ministers. He became | jority of just 130.

#### Streeter

WHEN Gary Streeter suc-ceeded Alan Clark as the Tory candidate in the solid seat of Phymouth Sutton in 1992, voters were in no doubt they were getting more than a change of style - from a racy and remote scion of the upper classes to a committed evangelical Christian who was decidedly a Plymouth man. urites Michael White.

Mr Clark predicted voters would not support a "turn- In 1995 he became a junior coat" — a reference to Mr whip.

Streeter's past as an SDP councillor. He was wrong: the new man almost tripled the Tory ma-

jority to 11.950. Mr Streeter is a solicitor. aged 40 and married with two children. His special interests, according to Dod's Parliamentary Companion, in-clude "law and order, moral and social issues, housing

and Europe." He has been a PPS to the Solicitor General, Sir Derek Spencer, and to the Attorney General, Sir Nicholas Lyell



On TV, they gave through-the-roof ratings to episodes of Roseanne and Friends which climaxed in gay weddings. In Friends the ceremony was performed by Candace Gingrich, Republican House Speaker Newt's younger, lesbian half-sister. (Like America, the Gingrich family is split by the gay issue; on Sunday, Newt said that if his sister married a woman, he would not go to the wedding.)

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# Red scare fails in St Petersburg

David Hearst in Moscow

NE OF Russia's leading liberal reformers. Anatoly of pragmatic reform. The Sobchak, lost his job as mayor of St Petersburg yesresult which could have important consequences for Boris Yeltsin's campaign for a

vestigation. lost narrowly to his deputy mayor, Vladimir Yakovlev, who won with 47.5 per cent of the vote.

Before the result was offi-cially declared. Mr Sobchak blamed his defeat on a mass campaign of "discreditation",

Party. Worse still, Mr Sobchak, like Mr Yeltsin, mounted a a warning. Elected in June clearly anti-Communist campaign, accusing his opponent of colluding with them. Mr Yakovlev's reply was a chal-lenge to avoid extremism: Communist I "Stop dividing the country be Soviet Union.

tween the Reds and the Whites." he proclaimed. St Petersburg backed that

message in choosing a moderate, campaigning on a ticket result will clearly support the arguments of those Yeltsin advisers who argue that he may have to strike a deal with Gennady Zyuganov. the Communist Party leader.

second term as president.

Mr Sobchak, whose last days as ruler of Russia's second city had been clouded neck, giving them each 36 per cent of the vote. The Institute of the Sociology of Parliamen-tarianism had been the only polling organisation to put the president behind Mr Zyuganov recently.
At the very least it confirms

a huge comeback for Mr Yelt-sin, who has run a brillant campaign, putting behind fessional way".

The result will alarm the Yeltsin camp, because Mr Yakovlev, although a Yeltsin supporter, got the backing of both the Communists and the liberal campaign, putting behind him the image of a sick, drunk leader out of touch with the mood of the country. "The change is stunning." said Nugzar Betaneli, the institute's director. "The pression of the communists and the liberal campaign, putting behind him the image of a sick, drunk leader out of touch with the mood of the country. The pression of the country is a sick, drunk leader out of touch with the mood of the country. The pression of the country is a sick, drunk leader out of touch with the mood of the country. both the Communists and the liberal opposition Yabloko campaign has started to pay off."

But Mr Sobchak's defeat is 1991, at the same time as the president, he became a national figure, a democrat campaigning to destroy the Communist Party and the

His campaign started to go wrong when it became known that a high-level investigation team from Moscow had arrived.

The team has been leaking material to the newspapers, focusing on members of Mr Sobchak's family who have have obtained state flats.

It is alleged, for example, that the flat next to the Sobchak home had been mysteriously emptied and each of its five occupants given other flats, jumping the queue. It was then refurbished in the name of a mystery owner. But the alarm went off when Mr Sobchak's wife, Ludmila Narusova, applied for permission to knock through

a wall to join the two flats. The team is also investigat-ing the provision of flats to her sister, Mr Sobchak's brother, and his niece.

The new mayor has a clean record as the keeper of the city's infrastructure. Four months ago he came out in opposition to his boss, saying what the city needed was a professional and not someone who spent his time making

Mr Sobchak's increasingly haughty public appearances, including one with the Queen last year's state visit, appear to have done him little good

# Court artists win patrons with post-Soviet icons

A Tsarist statue has sparked an ideological debate, writes **James Meek** in Moscow

wind howled across the speakers' microphones, and great square banners, emblazoned with avenging angels, stern Christs and the slogan "We are Russia — God is with us", flapped noisily above the press of Cossacks, neo-fascists and women in

The focus of celebration copper statue of the last Russian tsar, Nicholas II. It was unveiled to mark the 100th anniversary this week of the coronation of the autocrat monarchists call the Tsar-martyr.

But as much attention was lavished on the monuwas lavished on the mont-ment's sculptor, Vyaches-lav Klykov. His fans, mostly elderly, surged around him, waving books

for him to autograph.
One smiling woman thrust forward a photograph of the tsar's executed family for him to sign. She had held it in front of her like a holy relic throughout

bedlam from beginning to end. Black-robed monks sang the old Russian national anthem to the accompaniment of bells. The side official patronage as mind howled across the are winning commissions and official patronage as President Boris Yeltsin and Moscow's mayor, Yuri Luzhkov, seek to plot out politically convenient his-torical landmarks for post-

Soviet Russia. Mr Klykov's most controversial work to date is the equestrian statue of the Soviet war hero Marshal Georgy Zhukov, erected near Red Square last year.

'Artistically, it's a monstrous work. It shouldn't be there; but it shouldn't be anywhere'

The monument is naturalistic, but its detractors say it is stiff and lacks life.

"It's a personification of certain abstract ideas, executed mechanically and artificially, with a total distortion of artistic form. lacking the ceremony. Her wrist any taste," Alexei Komech was scored with long, half-healed slashes.

Mr Klykov is a Kremlin court favourite. He is part in any people who look at it.

They can't understand why the whole thing seems to consist of matchsticks or rods and is so inorganic."
Mr Klykov was not keen
to discuss the attacks at

this week's ceremony. "Let

them make a better statue," he said curtly. The sculptor is an ardent monarchist. He claims to have financed the tsar's statue out of his own pocket. But he is strictly loyal to the Yeltsin regime, even though he was refused permission to put the mon-ument where he wanted.

Mr Klykov's dreem was to have it stand at the gates of the Kremlin. The Moscow authorities said no. Instead the last emperor, de picted with autocratic ermine robe, crown, orb and sceptre, rears up among dandelion-fliled meadows in the village of Taininskoye outside the city, facing a small church

and a power station. Many monarchists were unhappy with the decision. A man in a black leather jacket and black beret, a member of the 10-strong Union of Russian-Serbian Orthodox Standard Bear-ers, said: "They should have put it in Moscow, not here. But that's our sin. We

gave in to the mayor."
Yet Mr Klykov refused to complain, saying he was happy to have the statue in a village which the tsar visited twice during his reign. He allowed Mr Yeltsin's chief of staff, Nikolai Ye-



gorov, to use the occasion for a fiery political speech warning that today's communists would repeat the deeds of 1917 should they return to power.

Mr Klykov gave the president the autocrat's bless-ing, saying: "I thank the administration of Boris Yeltsin for understanding that there is a great movement in the Russian people towards spirituality and tradition which no communists, democrats or liberals

can obstruct." Other artists accused of submerging art beneath ideology and expediency in-clude Mr Yeltsin's pet painter Ilya Glazunov, once court painter to the politburo and now the iconogra-

pher of Russian national-ism, and the sculptor Zurab

Tsereteli. Mr Tsereteli is respon-sible for a series of controversial monuments at the Pokionnaya Gora complex. commemorating the dead and the Soviet victory of the second world war.

His portrayal of Nike, the Greek goddess of victory. pinioned to a slender obelisk visible for miles around, has been dubbed by Muscovites the "spider on a needle". Park visitors are baffled by a sculpture of St George, patron saint of Moscow, which shows a dragon sliced like a sausage by the point of a spear. The latest row has bro-

monument, Tragedy of the People. which appeared without warning in the park. It is believed to be a clumsy pre-election attempt to remind voters that Stalin was responsible for concentration camps as well as winning the war.

Local people have com

ures rising from the ground to the film Hellraiser or the video for Michael Jackson's Thriller.

"Artistically, it's a mon-strous work," Dr Komech said. "The figures which are supposed to represent emaciated victims look like teetering corpses. This out-rageous creation shouldn't be there. It shouldn't be ken out over a Tsereteli | anywhere."

#### News in brief

#### Nigeria seen as most corrupt

NIGERIA tops the list of countries that international business people consider most corrupt, according to rankings produced by a Berlin-based independent organisation. Transparency

Fifty-four countries involved in international business are ranked by Transparency International in its second annual corruption index. After Nigeria, business people ranked Paki-SZE, Kenya, Bangiadesh, China, Cameroon, Venezuela, Russia.

India and Indonesia as the most corrupt.

The 10 least corrupt countries this year were New Zealand,
Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Canada, Norway, Singapore, Switzerland, the Netherlands and Australia. — New York Times.

#### Sex slaves to get apology

JAPAN'S prime minister, Ryutaro Hashimoto, promised he would write a long-awaited letter of apology to accompany a would write a long-awaited letter of apology to accompany a compensation payment to the Asian women forced into sexual slavery during the second world war, his office said yesterday.

Mr Hashimoto told Bunbei Hara, chairman of the controversial government-initiated Asia Women's Fund, that he would "write a letter expressing apology and remorse", an official said.

Historians say about 200,000 "comfort women" — mostly Koreans but also from the Philippines, Indonesia, China and the Netherlands — were forced to provide sexual services to Japanese troops during the war. — Revuer, Tokyo.

#### Police arrest Kaunda aides

ZAMBIAN police arrested four key aides of the former president Kenneth Kaunda yesterday, a day after five men were detained in connection with a series of bomb blasts, officials of Mr Kaunda's

The deputy leader of Mr Kaunda's United National Independence Party, Inyambo Yeta, was said to be among those arrested. On Sunday police arrested five men in connection with recent

On Sunday police arrested live men in connection with recent explosions at the official residence of President Frederick Chiluba and the offices of a state-run newspaper.

Police said the five, including three retired army officers, were believed to be part of Black Mamba, a shadowy movement purportedly sympathetic to Mr Kaunda. Mr Kaunda, who ruled Zambia for 27 years, denies any link. — Reuter, Lusaka.

#### UN targets urban crisis

MORE than 10,000 delegates met in Istanbul yesterday for a United Nations conference seeking to address deep-set urban ills — poverty, homelessness, social and environmental decay — and build global cities for the future.

"It is the destiny of our global community, where we will live and how we will live in the new world of tomorrow, that we have come here to determine." said Wally N'Dow, secretary-general of the Habitat II conference.

In the opening session of the two-week conference, speakers including Mr N Dow. the UN secretary-general, Bourros Bourros-Ghali, and the Turkish president. Suleyman Demirel, set the task of finding a humane vision of a future dominated by urban culture. — Reuter, Istanbul.

#### Nastase trails in Bucharest

ILIE NASTASE'S campaign managers acknowledged yesterday he was trailing the opposition by a wide margin in the Bucharest mayoral election, with a third of voting stations in. The Democratic Convention earlier said its candidate, the union boss Victor Ciorbea. had a solid lead over the former tennis star running for the leftwing Party of Social Democracy.

But a run-off in two weeks appeared likely as neither had broken the 50 per cent barrier yesterday. "Ciorbea has something less than 40 per cent and Nastase something more than 30 per cent," Cristian Burci, head of Mr Nastase's campaign staff. Pass notes, G2 page 3

#### Rulers claim second victory

ALBANIA'S ruling Democratic Party said yesterday it had won another big victory in the second round of a general election boycotted by most opposition parties and criticised by Western

The opposition, which withdrew from the first round and refused to take part in the second, said the poll was rigged. Many Western governments have called for a partial re-run. The conservative Democrats of President Sali Berisha won six

out of nine seats contested in the second round on Sunday, a week after winning 95 of the country's 115 constituencies in the first round. - Reuter, Tirana.

#### Chris McGreal honoured

CHRIS McGREAL last night received his second major accolade within a year for his coverage of Africa in the Guardian. His reports from Nigeria. Rwanda, Zaire and Kenya won him the runner-up prize in the Foreign Pres Association's British Media Awards. Since joining the Guardian in 1992, McGreal, aged 35, who is based in Johannesburg, has reported with incisiveness on issues affecting countries throughout sub-Saharan Africa. His investigations into war crimes in Rwanda won him Amnesty International's best newspaper journalist

award last year. At last night's award dinner in London, Robert Fisk of the Independent

received the association's top prize for a series of articles on Algeria. John Plender and Tim Laxton of the Financial Times were the other runners-up. Shyam Bhatia of the Observer was

#### Klaus fights for survival

THE CZECH prime minister. Vaclav Klaus, launched a battle for his political life yesterday, vowing to hold on to power after weekend elections stripped him of his majority in parliament. In an interview with the pro-government Telegraf newspaper. Mr Klaus suggested a minority regrouping of his coalition, the last conservative government in eastern Europe, was probably the only option left for the country. "I don't see a lot of further possibilities . . . We must begin to work intensively on this," he

Official results yesterday confirmed what computer projec-tions had forecast: Mr Klaus's coalition won only 99 seats in the new 200-member parliament, down from 112. The rival Social Democrate surprised analysts by winning 61 seats.

Mr Klaus said no mainstream parties would want to deal with the little-reformed Communists or the far-right Republicans, which together won 40 seats in the elections on Friday and Saturday. - Reuter, Progue. Leader comment, page 16



One is young, elegant, and well-educated; the other elderly, infirm and unschooled. Police and prosecutors on Sicily point to them as the new masters of the Mafia.

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# **Upbeat French** hail 'new Nato'

to remain here," he said.

The foreign ministers also discussed the I-For peace keeping operation in Bosnia, insisting that it would end as planned at the end of this year "There will be no roost I.

year. "There will be no post I-For," said the German foreign

went in together and we'll

But Nato's secretary-general, Javier Solana, said the

peacekeeping troops would remain at full strength until

after the elections planned for

September, leaving open the possibility of extending their

mandate depending on the po-

Alex Duval Smith adds from

Paris: Speaking in Paris,

Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, made a pointed call

to the US not to leave Bosnia

at the end of the year. He told the assembly of the

WEU: "Events in the former

Yugoslavia since the signing

of the Dayton agreement have

shown the transatlantic part-

pership to be the key to suc-

cess. Any arrangements that

we make for the future must

reflect that reality.
"When the time comes

Northern American and

European forces will leave

Bosnia together just as we entered Bosnia together." Halling the achievements of

the WEU under its current

British presidency, he called for the body to be maintained

structure of Nato.

minister, Klaus Kinkel.

come out together."

litical situation.

Penis Staunton in Berlin

ATO foreign ministers yesterday agreed to a new command structure which theoretically enables European alliance members to mount military operations independently of the United States.

The plan, announced at a conference in Berlin, allows for the creation of combined ioint task forces (CJTFs) to be deployed in troubled regions. such as former Yugoslavia, under the command of the Western European Union (WEU). The French foreign minis-

ter, Hervé de Charette, welcomed the reform as a great success for Europe and announced that France would soon resume the full role in Nato it abandoned 30 years ago. "If this process is completed. France regards with interest this new alliance and declares itself ready to participate fully according to a new status," he said.

Although the announcement came as no surprise, it was preceded by heated wrangling over the role of the United States in any European-led operations. The US state department spokesman, Nicholas Burns, admitted that the wording of the agreement had caused problems but he insisted that America would retain the right to become involved in planning as part of the new European any new operations.

"We are also a European country and a European Leader comment, page 8

Russia's SAS spells fiasco as crack team wreaks havoc

David Hearst in Moscow

HE WHO dares does not always win, as firemen at Vnukovo airport found last Friday when called to attend an airliner blazing on the runway.
The culprits were not

hard to discover. A group of Alpha anti-terrorist troops were found standing sheepishly around the burning Tu 145. They had been practising storming it when a stun grenade started the

A spokesman for Vnu-kovo Airlines said the fire which destroyed their aircraft had been an "imitation" — part of a successful

training exercise.
For the fire service it was real enough. It took one hour for 16 fire appliances and a helicopter spewing foam to subdue.

Since their days in the KGB, this "crack" antiterrorist group's record has been patchy. Alpha's unhappy attempts to liberate hostages held by Chechen gunmen in Budyonnovsk or the police special service's assault on Pervomaiskaya have spawned a new word in Russian for a flasco: the

'inter-ministerial assault''. Three months ago, special forces scaled the Ostankino television centre and smashed their way through eighth-floor windows. Television executives were told only later that it was an exercise.

### Haiti becomes hostage to US election politics Phil Gunson in

Port-au-Prince reports on the cash blow to growth

AFTTS new president. René Préval, trudges through mud blackened by charcoal dust in a slum near the harbour of Port-au-Prince, Around him, bulldozers tear at the rubble, clearing the ground for a project to restore part of the capital's main sewer system.

It is a rare image of activity and progress in a country largely devoid of both, 20 months after the United States intervened to restore a fragile democracy.

Haiti - touted by the Clinton administration as a foreign policy success — has become a hostage to US election-year politics as the Republicans seek to exploit its shortcomings for partisan advantage and the administration retreats by slowing the flow of

"Washington is turning on the saline drip for a bit at a time and then turning it off," said a US diplomat. "They want to retain the option to say, This stinks and we're getting out', and to cut off all assistance" - to a country whose budget is 65 per cent dependent on foreign aid.

Privatisation of moribund state industries, such as cement and telecommunications, is another demand — accepted by the government but held up by a sceptical

A report last month by a Republican delegation, including Senator Bob Dole's adviser on national security, referred to "more than 25 extra-judicial killings and the emergence of governmentsponsored death squads" since the restoration by the US of the former president.

Washington is turning on the drip a little at a time and then turning it off

Jean-Bertrand Aristide, who was succeeded by Mr Préval in February.

These assertions are not supported by available evidence, according to members of an observer infasion from the United Nations and the Organisation of American States. The mission's executive director. Colin Granderson said: "You cannot make a clear case that these were po-litically-motivated killings."

Haiti has no forensic laboratory and its civil police are too ready to deal with lack even "the rudiments" of their economic problems by Chief among what many observers see as unrealistic conditions attached to the aid is investigative techniques, a getting on a boat.

progress in resolving a score of allegedly political killings since the US intervention.

foreign specialist pointed out.

By last week, the new criminal investigation unit still had no telephones in its offices. As for privatisation, seen by Washington and the inter-national financial institu-

> the economy, observers point out that it is being held up by the democracy the US suppos edly intervened to restore. Up and down the country projects have either slowed to a crawl or been suspended while the government seeks funds. In Port-Salut, Mr Aristide's birthplace at the tip of the southern peninsula, work six weeks ago and local police

for two months. A former adviser to Mr Aristide was scornful of Washington's policy objectives. "Their only aim is to avoid a new flood of boat people." he said. "If there are no boat people, there's no

say they have not been paid

But with unemployment running between 50 per cent hope of improvement, diplomatic sources agree that the kind of chaos that would trigger a new flood of refugees can still not be ruled out. "You can deal with Haiti in

Haiti, or you can deal with Haiti in Miami," a US diplomat warned. "You don't have the luxury of ignoring Haiti it's too close, and Haitians

# Old ally renews Ethiopian courtship

A long history helps Britain's embassy (right, in its heyday) win trade, writes **Alice Martin** in Addis Ababa

HE gates of the walled British embassy compound in Addis Ababa "one of the loveliest embassies in the world", according to the ambassador Robin Christopher — have been thrown open this week to stone crushers and construction

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bunting and balloons.

The embassy is an easis in a city whose population has doubled in a few years and where electricity and water supplies are limited in many areas. For the duration of this week's Britain In Ethiopia trade fair, the commercial population of Addis Ababa is being welcomed into the grounds to The embassy invited him

taste the "best of British" Among the machinery and stalls wandered a gaunt figure. Sir Wilfred Thesiger, just turned 86, was born in the embassy compound in one of the round tukul henses that round tukul houses that made up the original Brit-

after more than 30 years away from the country. "I have been very moved by my arrival here and seeing it all again," he said, sitting in the cool tukul complex ng with an exhibition of his photographs.

"I certainly did not want to return to Ethiopia under General Mengistu... After all, he had murdered Haile Selassie and taken power, and what was going on in this country, from all I gathered, was appalling."

Sir Wilfred left Ethiopia as a child of eight. When he was 14, he met Haile Selassie in London. They later became friends. "I remember his gentle smile when told him that, more than anything in the world, I wanted to return to his country, and he said to me that one day I would come

to spend his birthday here | as his guest." Sir Wilfred | tact to 1400, when Henry IV believes he alone received a personal invitation to the emperor's coronation in Prof Pankhurst sees the 1930, a magnificent affair which lasted 10 days. He

then went hunting in the Danakil desert, developing a lifelong taste for desert The name of Thesiger belongs to a long history of British involvement in Ethiopia, and the British community is still growing. The Sandford English School — where half the pu-

pian — has just celebrated its 50th anniversary. Professor Richard Pankhurst, an Ethiopian history specialist — whose suffrag-ette mother Sylvia Pank-hurst lobbied in London aginst the Italian invasion of 1935 — dates British con-

pils, including several min-isters' children, are Ethio-

wrote to Prester John requesting assistance in the

ommon Christian heritage (although Ethlopia has size-able animist and Muslim minorities) as one link in Anglo-Ethiopian relations over the centuries. During the famines of the mid-1970s and mid-1980s, Ethiopia engaged the sympathy of a new generation of

Now, Britain has com merce in its sights. Ethiopia is the second-largest country in sub-Saharan Africa after Nigeria. Despite the poverty, trade promot-ers are eyeing the export

imports only £15.9 million leather industry.

Alan Davidson of the De-partment of Trade and Industry, who has helped organise this week's fair conceded that, at present "trade is not great". But after a series of seminars entitled Opportunity Af-rica, organised around Britain this year by the DTI, more than 30 British companies have sent repre-

sentatives to the trade fair.

A number of Ethiopians at the opening ceremony privately expressed con-cern at the trade delicit. "It has been one-way in favour of Britain," said Kassahun Jembere of the Addis Britain exports £54.3 million in goods, ranging from of trade fair in Great water pumps to books, but Britain." Ababa chamber of com-

#### equipment, and to an Ethio-pian public invited to sip **Bahrain foils** 'pro-Iran plot to overthrow

government'

lan Black Diplomatic Editor

HE tiny Gulf state of Bah-rain announced yesterday it had foiled a pro-Iranian plot to overthrow the government and was recalling its ambas sador to Tehran.

In a move which wil heighten Arab-Iranian ten sions, Bahrain said 29 citizens had admitted taking part in a conspiracy organised from Revolutionary Guard camps in Iran and guerrilla bases in Lebanon.

The announcement followed a strongly-worded statement by the six-member Gulf Co-operation Council (GCC), criticising Iran as regional mischief maker.

"A serious conspiracy has been uncovered which reveals that ... the military wing of Hizbullah-Bahrain, together with Iranian authorities, has been plotting since early 1993 to undermine Bahrain's security and stability, said the information minister. Mohar

him al-Mutawa. Bahrain, the Gulf's main financial centre and headquarters of the United States Navy's 5th fleet, has faced unrest involving the Shi'ite Muslim opposition demanding restoration of the 1975 constitution and more jobs.

Twenty-five people have died in the past two years and there have been widespread allegations of human rights abuses by the security forces.

of a coup plot marks a new departure since Bahrain had previously tried to avoid a public confrontation with Iran while privately blaming It for fomenting unrest.

But the US, with its policy of "dual containment" of Iran and Iraq, has been openly at-tacking Tehran. Britain and its European allies argued that Tehran is more of a convenient scapegoat than the

On Sunday the GCC publicly warned Iran not to interfere in the internal affairs of GCC states, including Bahrain. Iran and the United Arab Emirates are in dispute over several islands in the

Iran's foreign ministry spokesman, Mahmoud Mohammadi, yesterday attacked the GCC for kowtowing to the



Sheikh Hassan Nasrailah of Lebanon, sits between Hizbullah's spiritual leader Sheikh Mohammed Hussein Fadiallah (left) and Sheikh Ibrahim al-Sayyed at a rally in Beirut yesterday to mark the death of Ayatollah Khomeini of Iran. Sheikh Nasrailah told Binyamin Netanyahu he will retaliate against Israeli attacks on Lebanese citizens

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# Hebron clashes raise fears of intifada

Derek Brown in Jerusalem

SRAELI troops fought stone-throwing Palestin-lans in Hebron yesterday, sparking fears of another eruption of violence in the West Bank city. Tension has risen rapidly

in Hebron since last week's israeli election victory by Binyamin Netanyahu.

Mr Netanyahu had said during the campaign that he would not stand by the present Labour government's commitment to withdraw most Israeli occupation troops from Hebron by the middle of this mouth. Pales tinian leaders have warned ington would work closely

that if the troops stay, there with the new government "to cised Mr Netanyahu's victory ould be a renewed outbreak of the intifada, the Palestin-lan uprising of the late 1980s. | Mr Netanyahu is preoccu- gave no hint of Israeli conces-

Yesterday's incident will increase pressure on the Li-kud leader to stand by the withdrawal agreement, which will leave Israeli forces in Hebron to protect the 400 or so Jewish settlers living among more than 100,000

Palestinians. Israel's closest ally, the United States, has signalled that it too wants the new gov-

ermment to comply with the pullout agreement. The US ambassador to is rael, Martin Indyk, told Israel Radio yesterday that Wash-

pied with building a working majority in the new Knesset (parliament) which is due to going government, headed by Shimon Peres, said it would leave the decision on Hebron to the new administration but pointed out that the agreement with the Palestinians was binding and should be

implemented sround mid-Meanwhile, pressurè mounted on the next prime minister from the leaders of

lons to achieve it. President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt said the speech seemed to be continuation of the Likud leader's election campaign. "We decided it would be wise to bide our time and wait to see how the behaviour of the new government will be, even if the speech which the prime minister-elect made yesterday did not inspire optimism," he

President Hafez Assad of Syria was scarcely more en-thusiastic. "We will investi-Syria and Egypt, meeting in thusiastic. "We will investi-Cairo yesterday. Both criti- gate further and initially we

President Mubarak is to have talks in Aqaba, Jordan, tomorrow with King Hussein and with the Palestinian pres-ident, Yasser Arafat. Mr Assad has not been in-

vited to the Aqaba meeting. Jordanian-Syrian relations strained since King Hussein's 1994 peace pact with Israel, have taken another dip with the Jordanian claim that it has foiled a series of planned attacks by Syrian-based guer-rilles on Israeli tourists. Mr Netanyahu said yester-

day he hoped soon to meet King Hussein and Mr Mu-barak, the leaders of the two

• The former prime minister, Yitzhak Shamir, yesterday urged Mr Netanyahu to renege on Israel's peace agreements with the Palestinians and step up construction of Jewish settlements.

Mr Shamir, prime minister from 1986 to 1992, believes Israel has a right to keep the West Bank and Gaza Strip which it captured in the 196 war. Throughout his rule, he adopted a "not an inch" position in negotiations with the

# Soundbites bite back, The film Beijing wants the world not to watch Kinjiang bosses step up

HE Hong Kong film festival recently screened a new documentary about the 1989 Tiananmen Square aprising without a murmur of public protest from Beijing. Those who ponder political tea leaves announced a shift

from China's past patterns of paranoia. They saw Beijing's silence as a sign that the Communist Party might finally feel se cure enough to rethink a trauma that reached its ago today with the killing of the film's director Carma hundreds of unarmed

It took little time for Beijing to set the record straight. A few days later, as American film buffs prepared to include the same film. The Gate of Heavenly Peace, in their own festival in Washington DC. the Chinese embassy dis-

**Andrew Higgins** on the anniversary and bitter legacy of the massacre in

Tiananmen Square

"If this film is shown during the festival, it will mis-lead the audience and hurt the feelings of 1.2 billion Chinese people ... It is necessary and appropriate to withdraw this film."

The letter, which was ig nored, exposed the falsehood of claims that, after so many years, no one in China cares about 1989. "It is not in the forefront of

people's minds anymore, unless they lost a family member or suffered an injury that still causes them pain," says Hinton, a Beijing-born Ameri-can whose father wrote a classic account of revolution in China's countryside. "But, sooner or later, authorities have to deal with it Tiananmen can't stay in the freezer forever. When Deng [Xiaoping] dies, nobody knows what will happen. Nobody

wants to be the scapegoat."

The rage unleashed by the day in the southern city of tempt to vindicate the Chirampage of the People's Liberation Army seven years ago Beneath the frozen formula. The first serious study of

has long subsided. Student leaders who fled abroad spend as much time sniping at each other as cursing the party el-ders who ordered in the troops. Activists left behind in China are mostly in jail or in business Remembrance of the massacre, and of the six weeks of

peaceful protests that pre-

pressed into an elaborate rite

Police go on the alert. Foreign journalists stampede Beijing University in search of students smashing little bottles, the Chinese words for which are homophonous with Xiaoping. Deliveries of newspapers from Hong Kong be-come erratic as the Chinese authorities ponder whether they ought to ban whole editions or merely remove pages

referring to 1989. The handful of people left who might be tempted to speak out are rounded up and held incommunicado until the June 4 anniversary has passed. Prominent in this year's pre-anniversary sweep

with articles or photographs

however, lies a subversive certainty that the official verdict condemning the studentled protests as "counter-revolution" must, one day, be reversed — as were earlier judgments against "rightists" in the 1950s, victims of the Cultural Revolution from 1966-76, and those who took part in an earlier spasm of protest in Tiananmen Square

in 1976. "Political symbols are tremendously important in China," says Robin Munro, the Hong Kong director of Human Rights Watch/Asia. "They may hibernate because of repression, but history shows they acquire even greater significance when

driven underground. There has to be a day of reckoning." Ordinary citizens show more interest in getting rich than settling the scores of 1989, but the Communist Party is clearly unable to put

the trauma behind it. Only obsessive sensitivity can explain its hounding around the globe of Ms Hinton's remarkable documentary, a work so scrupulously objective that exiled student is Wang Xizhe, a veteran ac objective that exiled student | no one knows where p tivist seized by police last Fri- leaders condemn it as an at- | will lie when Deng goes.

the student-led revolt on film the three-hour work shows how extremism triumphed over moderate voices both in the student encampment on Tiananmen Square and in the leadership compound of Zhongnanhai.

"China's problem is not a shortage of passionate causes. but its inability to handle differences, to allow a range of volces to speak out. Our film is about debate, about allowing a plurality of views to be expressed," says Ms Hinton. But such debate annoys

radical students, particularly those elevated to celebrity status in the West, and terrifies the party leadership in Beijing. Any public deviation from the official line is taboo. "Nobody can open up dis-cussion of this thing in

China," says Ms Hinton. "Everybody knows what is really going on, but nobody wants to talk about it in public. If people started talking, the party's verdict would never hold. They are so afraid of a momentum building up again ... Everybody is vulnerable in a situation where no one knows where power

#### Graham Ezrashaw in Belling

CHINESE authorities have expanded a crackdown on separatists and illegal religious activities to include colleges and schools throughout the restive north-west region of Xinjiang.
The "Strike Hard" cam-

paign against crime and "terrorism" in the mainly Muslim region had caught 2,773 terrorists, murderers and other criminals, and seized more than 600 guns since it was launched in early April, the China Business Times reported yesterday.

It quoted an official as saying six cases involved "terror ists" who had "killed rural cadres and assassinated progressive religious leaders". All six cases had been succcessfully dealt with, the official said.

This frontier region bordering Afghanistan, Pakistan and three mostly Muslim Central Asian states has been shaken in recent weeks by violent clashes and political killings involving separatists who want to and Chinese

vision reported that this month "our region will concentrate on thoroughly clear-ing up and rectifying college campuses and neighbouring

It quoted a vice-chairman of the local government, Wang Huaiyu, as saying that col-leges must "resolutely oppose national separatism, resist and stop the infiltration of religions into colleges and remove their influence on stu-

dents". A Xinjiang education official said: "Students are not adults and lack the ability of self-protection", while in the regional capital, Urumqi, a television editor accused the separatists of interfering in campus life.

Xinjiang government leaders fighting to curb the increasingly violent campaign for more independence have warned that "splittism" and illegal religious activities pose the biggest threat to stability in the region.

The campaign to suppress the separatists has brought a ban on the construction of mosques, tightened controls on religion and stricter searches for weapons hidden in goods and luggage entering In the latest expansion of Xinjiang, according to local the crackdown, Xinjiang Tele- officials. — Reuter.

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### A classier way to teach

Let our role model be Dagenham not Taiwan

ONCE upon a time school inspectors i more complex than a simple battle used to wear no shoes but three pairs of | between progressives and traditionalsocks yet still refused to kick even the ists. Plowden did not transform educaworst teaching practice they observed. tion overnight. Ten years on, only one Now, if you are a teacher, the Chief in 20 schools was following the full Inspector does not just wear boots but child-centred approach. Lady Plowden boots with a poisonous spike as venom- herself wanted her proposals reviewed ous as Rosa Klebb's, the Spectre agent every decade. And even arch liberals intent on killing Bond in From Russia warned 25 years ago, that for all the With Love. Not content with wanting obvious attractions of discovery meth-15,000 bad teachers sacked, Chief Indoor ("finding out" in small groups spector Chris Woodhead now has a new rather than "being told") was difficult cause: changing the way teachers teach. His arguments, set out by BBC Panorama last night, have been billed as "the 'burial' of the progressive Plowden method". What conclusions should parents draw?

The new Woodhead goal - increas ing whole class maths teaching in primary schools from 25 to 60 per cent of all class work — is not prompted by whim but by international research. His agency is due to publish a new report, Worlds Apart, later this month which compares maths and science results over 25 years across the industrialised world. Unlike the situation with reading, English children's numeracy has not declined but it has been progressively falling behind the standards of other nations. Viewers will have heard Prof David Reynolds, the author of the report who was taken to Taiwan by Panorama, suggest that Taiwanese children are two years ahead of English children in maths by the age of nine and could be four years ahead by 16. But it is not just compared to the Pacific Rim that Britain is falling behind, but our nearer European neighbours too. It is not just Taiwan which uses whole class teaching with such success, but Switzerland, Germany and Netherlands too.

Teachers have plenty of grounds for complaint. An establishment which embraced child-centred learning 25 years ago is now ready to ditch it. The story is | ually monitoring new methods.

and dangerous in the hands of poor teachers. It was, in the words of Alec Clegg, open to the danger of people using the jargon "to jump on the bandwagon but unable to play the instru-

Researchers will row over the new findings for the next decade. Teachers will rightly warn of the dangers of importing teaching methods from abroad. But David Reynolds is right to ask policy-makers to look beyond our borders to examine why other countries are more successful in maths. Our policy-makers can point to a successful experiment in whole class teaching tried in Dagenham - an experiment which local teachers say has raised standards. One successful experiment should not transform a system, but the system was already moving towards more whole class teaching following the report from the Three Wise Men in 1992. Panorama demonstrated last night that whole class teaching still actively involves children and is as far removed from Victorian rote learning methods as Plowden was. Far from reducing the role of the teacher, it restores their pedagogic skills to the centre of classroom work. Most important of all, both major political parties are now converted to the cause. The most important lesson which politicians should draw from Plowden is the importance of contin-

### Europe's unfolding dilemmas

What's good for markets isn't always good for democracy

were on full show yesterday, from Brussels through Berlin to Prague and right on down to Tirana. The beef tale can be left to narrate its own absurdities. Less expected was the political check suffered by Vaclav Klaus in the Czech elections - which many will say served him right. In Albania another set of elections has also upset expectations.

Mr Klaus basks in the praise of Western analysts for his programme of economic reforms. These have been neoliberal and Thatcherite even if rounded at the edges, and coupled with the Czech Republic's natural advantages have allowed a fairly smooth transition into a market economy. Mr Klaus and coalition supporters were confident of a strong centre-right vote, but have been shaken by the unexpectedly good performance of the centre-left CSSD party. The harder reforms, Mr Klaus had told the electorate, were still to come: a considerable number of voters got the that the Bosnian pull-out should be message only too well. Yesterday Mr | delayed till after the elections there Klaus was in consultation with president Vaclav Havel: one way out could | presidential election. Similar entanglebe a grand coalition between his CDP and the CSSD - but at the price of Mr Klaus's own departure.

Mr Havel shows no signs of particularly enjoying his limited exercise of power. He may be reflecting on the ballot-rigging of President Sali Berisha. contrast between Europe's political The problem is that while Mr Berisha is realities and the continental ideals judged good for the markets he is defiwhich he so eloquently preaches. In a nitely had for democracy. Europe's conspeech last month (reprinted in the tradictions have definitely not ended New York Review of Books) he talked of | with the cold war.

EUROPE'S many types of ambiguity | a future Europe as becoming "a model for how different peoples can work together in peace without sacrificing any of their identity." Perhaps so, but Mr Havel was powerless to persuade his own Czechs and Slovaks to work together in peace and to prevent the break-up of Czechoslovakia. It was Mr Klaus who waved the Slovaks goodbye, impatient to get on with his great reforms unfettered by the need to continue subsidising the economically weaker Slovak republic. Mr Havel warns against divisions between rich and poor: it is unthinkable, he says, that one half of the room remains warm while the other half is cold. He is speaking of the divide between western and eastern Europe, but the argument

comes closer home. In Berlin the Nato foreign ministers sought yesterday to address the biggest discrepancy between European rhetoric and practice. They have conceded even though this will clash with the US ment with domestic US politics may be avoided in the future if Nato manages to firm up its European identity. Meanwhile in Tirana the EU has finally issued a muted protest at the blatant

#### Welshing on the Welsh

The Tories risk losing their shirts outside England

opines the right-wing Conservative MP David Evans, must recognise that they "wear an England shirt". This is not an | Welsh language in parliamentary proentirely happily chosen metaphor right | ceedings. His successor Jonathan now, given recent events in a Hong Evans (no relation to David) is not Kong nightclub. But it is particularly similarly endowed. inappropriate in the case of the errant Welsh-speaking junior Welsh Office minister Rod Richards who, if he wore a shirt at all (and we could of course be their respective lands. No longer. A getting into deep water here), would surely wear a Welsh one.

In spite of his own Welsh name, Mr Evans is very much a Londoner. This probably explains why he seems to have forgotten so readily that some of shirt jibe is indicative of why his party his Conservative colleagues still actu- is on the slide there. The Conservatives ally represent distant lands called Scotland and Wales. Not many, admittedly, the English National Party. They no there are only ten Tory MPs in Scotland and six in Wales, and they survive on some of the smallest majorities in the the Welsh and the Scots decide to recip- to letters@guardian.co.uk. business. But at least Mr Richards rocate the feeling.

PEOPLE who accept government office, | would have been well able to speak authoritatively in Wednesday night's Commons debate on the use of the

> There was a time - not so very long ago either - when both Scots and Welsh Conservatives were powers in Conservative electoral wipe-out in Wales next time round is by no means impossible (and if only one Welsh Tory survives it is likely, ironically, to be Mr Richards). But Mr Evans's Englandare busy reincarnating themselves as longer seem to have a place for Wales or Scotland. It will hardly be surprising if



#### Letters to the Editor

# Jack Straw's quest for street cred Vogue treads a thin line

OUR leader (A curfew on commonsense, June at risk much earlier.

3) on the proposal to rive local authorities, in child protection. The process give local authorities, in agreement with the police and local residents, a power to make sure that children aged 10 and under are not left unsupervised on the streets late at night was as hysterical as it was confusing

Is the Guardian seriously arguing that it is appropriate for such children to be out aione late at night? That can be the only conclusion from the absurd claim that our proposal would penalise large numbers of innocent

young people".

Furthermore, your paradoxical claim that the problem is "largely non-existent" will have been read by incredulity by those who grapple daily with the problems fac-ing young children in many parts of Britain.

This is a serious problem, especially in the summer months, as a Deptford youth worker pointed out on BBC radio. The NSPCC have added their voice, saying they welcome a debate on pa-rental responsibilities.

Of course, some of the young children out on the streets late at night face family problems in their homes. But how on earth does the Guardian's solution - that is, doing nothing - solve

"If our proposal was accepted, it would be for the local communities, through councils and the local police, to trigger action. Far from an indiscriminate national imposition, our approach would

Word perfect

ALWAYS enjoy reading lan Aitken, but his scepticism

towards our new literacy tar-

gets for primary-school child-ren (Labour beefs up its style,

June 1) was a little wide of the mark. I deliberately did not use the concept of "average"

with respect to getting young-sters up to their chronological

When my children were tested for dyslexia, and when they succeeded in bridging the

one-year gap between their ex-

pected competence and what

they had previously been able

to achieve, the tests were based not on an ever-moving

average, but on clearly de

fined goals. Healthy scepticism of us all

in politics is not unwelcome, but wide-of-the-mark cynicism

is dangerous and corrosive

undermining of the hope of something better tomorrow.

N the same week that we read of research showing

that special programmes in

music and visual-arts teach-

ing have brought significant improvements in children's

reading and mathematics, and

an improved attitude to learn-

ing in general (May 25), David

Blunkett proposes a return to "basics" and traditional meth-

No suggestion here of an in-

vestment in the resources and

imaginative approaches nec-essary to capitalise on the tal-ents of pupils and teachers

who recognise that teaching

anything well is an art. New

ods (May 30).

Labour or old hat?

Cromford, Matlock,

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Letters to the Editor may be

David Ainley.

David Blunkett MP. Shadow Education and

Employment Secretary. House of Commons,

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reading age.

by which councils and the police would have to engage in public debate before they could use these powers should lead to better local agreement — and natural en-forcement — of standards of behaviour which are in ev-

eryone's interests, especially those of parents and children. Supposedly intractable social problems such as this often require radical solutions. It is in this context that Labour is ready to consider innovative solutions as part of its wide-ranging programme to improve community safety, encourage paren-tal responsibility, reform

youth justice and tackle the underlying causes of crime. Your assertion that ensuring that those aged 10 and under should not be out late at night would especially hit "black communities" is patronising nonsense, unworthy as a serious newspaper.

Jack Straw MP. Shadow Home Secretary. House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA.

AT ENOT

is imported from the US. He

fails, however, to put a price

on this cultural domination.

The European Union has an unacceptable \$4 billion deficit in audio-visual products, which translates into a loss of

well in excess of 250,000 jobs

In a fast-expanding industry

where two million jobs could

be created and huge economic

multimedia spin-offs possible before the millennium, this

cultural one-way traffic is eco-

nomic lunacy.

If our children receive no

mages of the continent in

on this cultural domination.

young people, and upon the civil liberties of us all. I joined the Labour Party a year ago because I wanted an end to Conservative rule. Now I find that Labour is not merely apeing Conservatism. but on occasion is flirting with far-right authorizarianism. Straw's latest outburst has convinced me that we have little to gain from the election of a Labour government. I will not be renewing my party membership. (Dr) Richard Dunphy.

ACK Straw is the last straw. New Labour wants

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to lock up the young at night. In practice this means locking up working-class chil-dren: the children of the affluent will be ferried back and forth by their parents or given money for taxis; the children of the poor will have to stay home or face punishment. The ethos of imprisoning people in their own homes before they commit crimes is

COMMONS

generations have been cut off from Jules et Jim is no reason

not to offer real cultural

OWN with Ode to Joy: up with The Star-Spangled

Banner! The only trouble is

the absence of any evidence that Americans would look on

the prospect of our joining their Union other than with

choice to our young people. Carole Tongue MEP.

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J G Thompson.

well imagine some unpopular council with an ageing electorate chasing votes by promising to be tough on annoying youngsters. This possibility deserves to be met with zero Dave Jennings. 29 Hertslet Road London N7 6PH.

IRST it was squeegee mer-chants Straw wanted off the streets. Now it is children. Which social group will this moral mugger turn on next? In the interest of public safety, he should be restrained. Rod Edmond.

to poach votes from the right.

Labour has effectively disen-franchised the left.

WILL future teenagers. under an administration

including Jack Straw, be writ-

ing essays about being forced out of further education and

into low-paid jobs by cuts in

benefits and student grants.

and then not even being

allowed out in the evening?

Will 17-year-olds, legally driv-ing home at night, find them-

selves being stopped and ar-

rested for being out after their

Straw has stressed that local

authorities would be able to

set their own age and time

limits; but this is surely the most dangerous aspect of the

whole lunatic idea. One can

bedtime?

L and T Abramsky.

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#### Beat is best Star wars are a costly game

COLLOWING numerous examples of poor crowd control at football matches, it was irresponsible of the Government to allow Euro 96 to be held in Britain. In the wake of 1980s football hooliganism, strong drink was banned from football grounds. What use is that when irresponsible magistrates allow pubs and clubs extended drinking hours so that fans can get drunk before they arrive?

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**A Country Diary** 

team's disappointing performance in Hong Kong, the Royal Hong Kong Police was able to prevent any distur-bance erupting. Hong Kong, by retaining a beat system of policing, has safer streets and homes than Britain. C G March.

In spite of the England

Ex-Hong Kong Chief of Police.

spent indoors looking out at windswept trees and sodden grass, it has been a relief to be spared the overhead clatter of starlings in the roof. The replaced tile has held and kept them out. But a friend who lives in an early 17th-century cottage in Milborne Port has been disturbed by weird scramblings and rumblings from the middle reach of a Zshaped chimney. Her neighbour reported jackdaws carrying nesting materials. When she went to look, she saw one to attempt to maximise traffic flows by building more roads and removing cycle lanes and rods and poles probed from the top but failed to shift a solid mass at first-floor level. A sweep equipped with modern, sophisticated devices, including one with a corkscrew action, failed too. Throughout these attempts the jackdaws held noisy committee meetings and, during a weekend

lull in human activity.

SOMERSET: Through the returned to their building coldest May, as they tell us, work. On Monday the builders since 1669, with much time went in through the stone wall and took out three barrow loads of compacted twigs. One disgruntled jackdaw still strutted crossly up and down the lawn at the end of the sad but necessary campaign. It has been more peaceful for us to watch the pair of red-legged partridges that visit us every day, and increasingly boldly. We have not seen them before this year. One is particularly portly and has a stiff, pompous gait, ignoring my approach and the steady gaze of the superior Persian cat from nextdoor, who observes keenly from the top of the post and rail fence as the birds strut and peck in the manner of chickens. The other partridge tends to scurry off. Neither shows much enthusiasm for getting airborne but, if provoked, they take a very long, flapping run, and with what looks like an enormous expense of energy, just about clear the hedge.

VOGUE'S editor is correct when she states ('Anor-

exic models cost Vogue ads,

May 31) that women who tend

towards anorexia do not get it

from magazines but from a

loss of self-worth instilled in them before they even look at Vogue. I know this only too

well having hated my body

since I was three. I have had eating disorders since my teens — eating hardly any-

thing and becoming very thin,

then eating compulsively in my early twenties, which

caused my weight to balloon

in two years so that I went from a size 10 dress to size 20.

However, images of thin

women make me feel made-

quate, ugly and out of control.

When I look at a slim woman in a magazine I become ob-sessed with diets and exer-cises. I look at my fat stomach

and flabby arms and feel such

disgust that at times I would

WAS about seven when I

first started to compare my-self unfavourably with the

prevailing ideal of woman-hood. As I grew physically,

there was only one thing left to do to alleviate the panic and

despair about growing out of

my allotted space: I had to get

More than 20 years on, I still

struggle with food, size and

shape. It has preoccupied me

to a greater or lesser extent all

my adult life.
While the images rammed

down our throats by the

beauty industry do not "cause" eating disorders, I

have no doubt that they must

take a large share of blame in fuelling the overwhelming sense of inadequacy that pre-

disposes so many young

women (and men) to shrink their worlds - sometimes to

Bounds Green, London N11.

LL be 20 later this month, and already I've seen con-temporaries starve and vomit

themselves to the point of death. I don't feel like putting

up with this any more. In the

interests of presenting a vari-ety of images to those nine-year-olds, here's an offer for

Alexandra Shulman: free of

charge, I'll put my fit, well-fed and cherished body in front of

Vogue's cameras. Might cost you advertising (god forbid women with 38-inch hips

should wear clothes), but it might save lives.

Kate Joester. Pollock Halls of Residence,

Holyrood Park Road, Edinburgh.

the point of extinction. Catherine McCloskey

smaller, to take up less room.

like to be dead. Ali Browning.

Mytholmroyd

Hebden Bridge HX7.

JOHN VALLINS

#### which they live, are we not de- 7 Saxon Close, priving them of knowledge Stratford-upon-Avon, and understanding which will CV37 7DX.

ARRY ELLIOTT (Better off enrich them culturally, and help them get top jobs in page, June 3) is right to assert that 95 per cent of our culture generations have been cut off

Young calls "the most comprehensive statement of transport policy in nearly 20 years" (Letters, May 31) but, from its lack of impact in rural Dorset, I assume that there is no new money forthcoming, only hot if cleaner — air.

Our council cannot make the longer-term changes in transport patterns we'd like to because we have no realistic alternative to the car. Buses are few and don't serve all our villages. In the whole of East Dorset district, there is no train station. If the Government is serious about a strategy, it must provide local authorities with money for new services before it starts to consider road-pricing. This money should come from the receipts of privatisation. (Cllr) Pamela Sylvester. Vice-chair. Environment

Committee. East Dorset District Council. Furzehill, Wimborne, Dorset.

by post to 119 Farringdon Road, IWOULD find Sir George London EC1R 3ER, and by e-mail Young's letter funny were it not so pathetic. Here on Skye, privatisation of the mainland Please include a full address and daytime telephone number. link has given us no signifi | Manchester M12 5TD

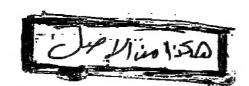
Punctures for the cycling minister HAVEN'T seen the green cant reducation in fares/tolls. paper which Sir George and the Calmac farry service and the Calmac ferry service has lost over £1 million a year in subsidy, which the taxpayer must now supply. To add insult to injury, there is no provision for cyclists on the new bridge. Mark Partridge 22 Lower Breakish

Isle of Skye IV42 8QA. T WAS good to read the shadow transport minister Graham Allen, advocating reducing dependence on car usage to improve air quality (Letters, June 1). Maybe he will take the time to explain the issues to his fellow Labour members who run Manches-ter City Council. The council's view of a "sustainable" city is and removing cycle lanes and crossings which get in the way. With a cycle budget which has fallen from over £200,000 to £60,000, the coun-

cil's policies are more reac-

tionary than the Tory party.

designed to be anti-cycling and anti-pedestrian. Trevor Cox. 15 Crantock Street,



Matthew Norman

ONCERN mounts for the mental health of Michael Winner, whose many friends fear that over-exposure to voyenristic cop shows, like his euristic cop snows, like his own defunct True Crimes, may have damaged his mind. The Diary called yes terday to discuss a Daily Mail interview in which he describes how his late mother blew millions in casinos; and in which he claims that her ghost now hannis his west London house. This is very odd. Would anyone travel to Holland Park when, as an excuse for not having to Socialise with him, they could cite their own death?
Least of all his late mother. who, so he once said on TV. spent years suing him? Confused by this, we rang and were instantly astonished. "Hang on, I'll switch on the tape recorder," he said, before intoning the name of his caller, and the time and date. He thinks he's in a police interview room! Top psychologists may agree that, unable to accept the scrapping of True Crimes, he has withdrawn into a fantasy version of the TV world from which he has been excluded. So then: APB, APB, one white Caucasian, approximately 60 years, 26 stone, knickers twice the size of New South Wales, requires urgent assistance. APB. APB.

ITH its first birth-day on June 12, ex-ecutives at Live TV plan celebrations. The main event is likely to be Royal Topless Darts, with look-unalikes of Diana and Fergie battling on the oche. However, no decision has been taken as to whether to follow this with a boxing match between the Diana doppleganger and a ringer for the Queen.

HE News of the World report on Rod "Ram Rod" Richards, the tupping Tory taff, highlights again that paper's endearing refinement. Having interviewed the mistress, the NoW reported: "Julia gushed: I am so very fond of him. He is a wonderful man. him. tie is a wonderful man. He doesn't just come home and s\*\*g me." How deli-cate the newspaper's sensi-bilities are. Could they, in fact, be almost too delicate? chester, my friend Mary Whitehouse thinks so. 'Shag or snog? Shag? Oh dear. I think it's better to blank out a word like that altogether," says Mary, asterisks just makes every-one say, 'Oh, I wonder what that means?' They might as well print the full word."

UST this once, we will reject Mary's advice, while counselling her should she be ever be minded to visit the Tyrolto stear well clear of the northern Austrian village of F\*\*\*ing. A picture of the road sign appears in the current issue of the Fortean Times. Beneath that name is a picture of a boy and girl (clearly under age) and the German for: "Not too fast".

RINCESS Diana's of-fensively clever lawyer Anthony Julius last week gave a lecture at University College en-titled "Love Poets And The Art Of Advocacy". A large audience turned out to hear Dr Julius, whose new book has reopened the debate about TS Eliot's anti-semitism, and among many legal and literary luminaries were Dr Germaine Greer, the brilliant QC David Pannick and a phalanx of judges and literary professors. But who was this, sitting near the front? Heavens above . . . it was the conjuror Paul Daniels, and his wife, the lovely Debbie wire, the lovely Debbie
McGee. "Although she tried
her best, I think Debbie may
have struggled a bit," says a
spectator. "But Paul
seemed to like it." But not a
lor? "Outto a lot." was good lot?"Quite a lot. It was good of them to come." Yes, but why? Surely Mr Daniels doesn't fancy himself a closet intellectual? I could ake almost anything in life. But not that.

OMFORT for the travalled Paul Gas-coigne comes from Brian, landlord of the Guardian local, the Coach and Horses. "That Diary bloke misquoted me, "says Brian. "I did not say that he wouldn't be served. I said he wouldn't be served if he was drunk." So Gazza isn't harred at all. I am barred, however, and rightly so.



# Time for the great leap backward

### Commentary

Hugo Young

RITAIN's beef war is not a Cabinet policy. It is, to a peculiar extent, the Prime Minister's policy. That doesn't mean the Cabinet disagrees with it. This isn't a case of John Major flying in the face of his ministers, or by-pass-ing their judgment by fixing matters in little ad-hoc meetings, though such meetings have been frequent and furi-ous. But the Cabinet's factions are regarding Mr Major with a certain detachment. Taking on the Europeans was a singularly personal decision. The colleagues are watching carefully to see when and how it might come It was taken a fortnight

ago, to save the job of Doug-las Hogg. After the EU vets' committee had given thumbs down to Britain's BSE-eradication plans, Mr Hogg was due to stand up in the House due to stand up in the House of Commons and say that nonetheless things were moving our way, as would be proved at the next meeting of est twitch of Tory party poli-

agriculture ministers, who would deploy different voting rules to over-ride the vets. The Chief Whip came to the cor, declines to teach a single Prime Minister and said he didn't believe he could hold the party behind this line. If the Minister of Agriculture made any such feeble promise, he would be destroyed by his own side.

Mr Major then took a
double decision. Not only

would he make the statement himself, but he would announce a British withdrawal of co-operation from all EU decision-making. This line had already been prepared, but for use only if the agriculture ministers failed to override the vets: ie today, June 4. So the tactic, which in EU terms is near the top of the escalatory ladder of aggressive manoeuvring, was im-plemented very suddenly. It now leaves nothing in the locker when (if?) the EU fails to deliver what really mat-ters: a phased plan for lifting the ban on British beef itself, which can be sold to the House of Commons. By side-lining Hogg and putting himself at the front, Mr Major ensures that he will be held

accountable for what this ex-tremely risky tactic fails to deliver. He was not restrained by a

lesson that might offend the sensibilities of, shall we say, Michael Spicer MP, let alone Bill Cash. Kenneth Clarke

seems to have gone along with the tactic only in order that he could immediately limit its effect, putting on re-cord the assurance that it cord the assurance that it was only temporary, and was certainly not the prelude to an empty chair. This small gain mattered. Leaving the British chair empty at the EU summit in Florence on 21 June was a proposal Major rejected only after it had been pushed hard in Cabinet by the usual suspects.

These are currently the

These are currently the more triumphalist of the Major-watchers. Not content with the successes they've had in knocking him around for the last four years, they sense the moment for a great leap backward may be at hand. Yesterday's statement accompanying Michael How-ard's acting-out of his part in the veto process, saying that the EU measures in question didn't matter all that much anyway, exuded the sneer of unrepentance. In tone there's little to choose these days be-tween Mr Howard and John Redwood, who sees the beef démarche as the cue for a gen-eralised assault on the entire

Reining these people back, and satisfying them with anything less than total vietory, is the political problem Major created in the act of making his wholly political response to the vets. He has shown them blood and they're slavering for more. Curiously, however, it's the other school of watchers who may soon have the whip hand. But perhaps that's not so curious. Having dealt the sceps their greatest victory so far, on the road to making the EU unworkable and therefore indefensible, it would for Major be out of character not to move swiftly in the opposite direction. Very likely this is about to

what the mainstreamers said to him was, in effect: OK, you can have your tactic, but on your head be it if it fails. Failure, as Major well under-stands, doesn't consist simply of surrender. Breakdown would be just as big a failure.

The British bargaining position is weak. It requires goodwill on the other side of the table

ernments have behaved with amazing tolerance, given the truths that haven't changed. Remember them. BSE isn't a problem of Europe's making. More than 20 countries banned British beef before Europe did, and won't even contemplate lifting it. The dispute so far is about science and markets, not

Charles de Gaulle so comi-

ture which majoritarian British politicians, accustomed to the diktat politics the British system permits, defy at their peril Defying it can have only the briefest relevance, now exhausted. Defying it indefinitely is a form of slow-motion suicide for the national interest, which is being ex-plicitly demonstrated by the number of British-backed EU initiatives Britain is now vetoing every day. This truth cannot be un-

done by roars of bloody-minded nationalism. That is why the logic of Clarke rather than Howard will, I think, soon have to be respected. The political consequence of a crack-up in EU functioning will be the rising up of the silent minority of Tories who will not countenance it. The diplomatic consequence will be the marginalising still further and more permanently of the one member-state that is seeking to destroy the capacity of the others to do their business. These are facts, not options.

Facing such a prospect, Mr

Major will blink. Euro-real-ism will be forced upon him until the next time. The exercise will have been his per-sonal contribution to Britain's advancement in Europe It will cede, for once, a kind of victory to the anti-sceptic cause. This has to happen by the Florence summit at the latest. Major may reflect with some relief that this falls on the first anniversary of his 

# that make a comparison between John Major and Home Secretary cally inapt. The British bargaining position is, therefore, weak It requires goodwill on the other side of the table. The EU is a vast network of deal-making and compromise, a culture which materitan British the compromise in t



OME say Michael Howard is the worst Home Secretary ever. Others, not wishing to give that honour away too lightly, suggest he is merely the worst since Henry Brooke (1962-64), father of Peter. In his dashing way, however, the dissident Tory backbarcher. Sir. Lilian backbencher Sir Julian Critchley has produced a more surprising yardstick. Howard, he said in a letter to the Guardian last week, is the worst Home Office incumbent since Hicks.

A bit of a mystery, this, since the records fail to reveal a home secretary called Ricks. One or two hicks, per-haps, but no Hickses. Even so, Sir Julian's right. Sir William Joynson-Hicks, later Lord Home Secretary from 1924 to 1929, was born plain Hicks, the son of a plenipotentiary at the Smithfield meat market, only acquiring the Joynson when he married the daughter of a well-to-do Manchester manufacturer of that name. (Such practices were by no means unusual then: his Cabinet colleague Philip Cunliffe-Lister had jogged along as Philip Lloyd-Greame until his wife came into a sizeable slice of North Yorkshire.)

known, was a kind of twin-track reactionary — in poli-tics and in religion. His best Commons speeches, some people said, were those de-signed to prevent the church authorities getting their newfangled hands on the tradi-tional prayer book. Some-times it wasn't quite clear where the one impulse ended and the other began. "The people of Ulster," he told them as they contemplated insurrection against Home Rule in 1913, "have behind them the Unionist Party: behind them is the Lord God of

Battle; in His name and your name, I say to the Prime Min-ister. Let your armies and batteries fire. Fire if you dare. Fire and be damned. As Home Secretary he began by Howardesquely announcing his plans to keep infiltration by aliens, many of whom he was sure were political agitators, down to an ab-solute minimum. His unbridled public enthusiasm for deporting people under the Defence of the Realm Act greatly encouraged his chums on the "diehard" wing of the party, but dismayed more

Two things Jix could not shide were Communism and filth. He successfully set in hand the prosecution of leadthe members of the Commu-

pragmatic colleagues.

nist Party under the Incitement to Mutiny Act. The judge said he'd spare them prison if they'd only renounce their disgraceful views, but they wouldn't, so some went down for six months and others for 12. Later, as leading light in the Cabinet faction which wanted to break with Soviet Russia for backing the strikers during the General Strike, he sanctioned a raid on an outfit called Arcos which traded with the Soviet Union and shared its head-quarters with the Soviet trade delegation. No sign was found of the top-secret documents

of the top-secret documents they were said to be looking for, though material found on the premises was officially said to be "compromising".

Regularly, as part of the Home Secretary's mission to "clean up London", squadrons of police were sent into night-clubs to find out what people were doing and tell them to stop. No raid was actually stop. No raid was actually sanctioned on DH Lawrence but his works were condemned by Jix in jihadish terms. In other respects, how-ever, he didn't allow his conscience to over-burden him. As financial secretary to the reasury he chided Chancel lor Baldwin for failing to make the usual pre-election concessions to brewers, the NFU and other friends of the party.
"After all," he complained in his fire end-he-damned way. "we are party politicians, and we honestly feel it is in the interests of the country that we should rule rather than the scoundrels opposite.

lian Critchley, however, that Jix wasn't all reaction. He put through a Shops Act for which many a shop hand blessed him. An injudicious promise by him — some accounts say in a Commons debate, others on the hustings — may have been crucial in committing the Baldwin government to make the voting age for women the same as that for men. Most liberals would give him credit for that - though it has to be said that when taxed by the Bill's opponents with bringing about this disaster, Jix always used to maintain that it wasn't his fault.

One one count, though, he deserves to be counted a hero. Liberal on penal reform, reac-tionary on everything else, as he was Tumim or Woolf, not Howard, in his handling of prison issues, civilising the treatment of juvenile delinquents and young offenders, and declaring that the purpose of prison was reform rather than punishment. The sufferings of prisoners' families par ticularly troubled him. He hoped, he confided towards the end of his tenancy, that thanks to his reforms, his suc-cessors in 20 years' time would have the pleasure of closing prisons, not opening them. Not, I think, a line Sir Julian Critchley is ever likely to hear emerging from Michael Howard

That's the logic and the hollowness of Jack Straw's plans, argues Larry Elliott

Let the markets wreak social havoc, but keep the kids under control and out of sight.

# Labour's mean streets

EW Labour loves flexing its mus-cles. It is tough on single mothers, it is tough on parents who let their children play truant, it is tough on noisy neighbours and, as we now know, it is tough on infants playing on the street after dusk. The only thing it is not tough on is the

concerned, the days when a national government could manage demand or ensure full employment are long gone. Globalised capital mar-kets mean that all a "centreleft" government can offer is some education, some training and a bit more research and development, then let the market get on with it.

But having decided that it can no longer regulate the economy, it is left with a bit of a vacuum. Governments have to do something. So Labour has a new idea. It will regulate the people instead, impos-ing a panoply of social con-trols to ensure that the problems caused by the un-controllable deregulated economy — crime, juvenile delinquency, family breakdown — don't threaten the comfortable lifestyles of its new middle-class constitu-

There is a rationale for this new approach. It is that Labour's core constituency, the traditional working class, is precisely that part of the electorate most affected by anti-social behaviour, and it will welcome a return to the social order that characterised the 1950s. After all, Clement Attlee was no soggy liberal when it came to social

Actually, of course, the thing Labour's core constitu-ency would most welcome would be a guaranteed job protected by decent employ-ment rights and perhaps even defended by trade unions A. KRAVIE

reverse: instead of Harold Wilson's mixture of economic interventionism and social nomic liberalism and social authoritarianism.

Although some economists have worked out schemes for taxing foreign-exchange speculators, and a new computer is being introduced to clamp

stalling surveillance cameras | idea was that Labour would the length and breadth of the country. We will have all the pain of free-market capital-ism, but with state-financed counselling to soften the

blow. The Wilson government of 1964-70 was interventionist in a different way. This was the heyday of Keynesianism, with George Brown's National Plan, Barbara Cas-tle's superministry of Kmprotected by decent employment rights and perhaps even down on City insider-dealing. New Labour will take a hands-off approach to to the listed, New Labour's sales pitch at the next election looks like being the 1960s in

increase the growth-rate to 3.8 per cent a year, guarantee full employment, improve living standards and be able to spend more on health, on edu-

But at the same time the Wilson government saw no real reason why it should

the Wilson Cabinet was awash with kaftan-wearing members of the permissive society: merely that it was felt that these were matters best left to individuals.

Little remains of the Wilso-

abortion laws. It was not that

nian approach. The 1964-70 administration is now seen as an example to avoid, even though in retrospect it deliv-ered growth of around 8 per ployment below 500,000. That New Labour has

bought the Thatcherite idea that economics should be depoliticised was shown clearly by Tony Blair at last November's Confederation of British Industry conference. His speech was peppered with comments that reflected his conversion to the new ortho-doxy, such as: "The role of government is not to com-mand but to facilitate", "Government should not try to run business", "Penal rates of taxation do not make economic or political sense. They are gone for good". Hardly sur-prisingly, big business lapped

New Labour economic policy now goes like this. Low inflation is the key to economic growth, and it must be defeated at all costs. Page one in Mrs Thatcher's primer for economic managment says that interest rates have to be used to bear down on inflation. Page two says that bud-get deficits are another cause of inflation, so there can be no question of a return to Keynesian tax-and-spend

The problem is that there is absolutely no evidence that low inflation and slashed budget deficits leads to higher growth. Indeed, the pursuit of them may lead to lower growth. This then leaves the question of where the money is to come from in order to finance improvements in training education and in-vestment allowances and the rest of Labour's supply-side

life. I used to suffer terribly from IBS, and had all the usual symptoms (pain, wind etc) but conquered the problem using a simple, two-step control programme. Since then my symptoms have virtually disappeared and the quality of my life has improved beyond measure. Now you can share the information that gave me back a normal life. I have produced a book called "Relief from IBS" that explains the methods I used to solve my IBS problem. The advice is written in an easy-to-follow style and includes a series of simple, practical guidelines designed to help you deal with your IBS in the same way that I dealt with mine. The topics covered include

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# Soundbites bite back

minister, does peace stand a chance? **Derek Brown** is pessimistic

Binyamin Netanyahu and it may yet be the break-

ing of him. Already, the leader-to-be has abandoned the glib one liners of the election campaign for the vague, vapid waffle of statesmanship. His victory speech on Sunday night was a model of finely phrased evasion, emphasising a deep commitment to national unity and the status of Jerusalem

But Bibi's way to peace is But Biol S way to Poster and already started. In his of Israel."

Soundbites, all. But some then we will not act there. If then we will not act there is the necessary to the then we will not act there. If then we will not act there is the necessary that the necessary then the necessary then the necessary the necessary that the necessary the necessary the necessary that the necessary then the necessary then the necessary then the necessary that the necessary then the necessary the necessary the necessary the necessary that the necessary the necessary that the necessary the necessary the necessary that the necessary that the necessary the necessary that the necessary that the necessary the necessary that the necessary the necessary that the necessary the necessary that the necessary that the necessary that the necessary that the n

OMPLETE mastery of | ally every one of the tortuthe soundbite has ously complicated issues been the making of looming before him, he has boxed himself in with votewinning slogans.

On Jerusalem, he has at least been consistent. Before, during and since the campaign, he has flatly rejected not only any change in the city's de facto status, but also any discussion of such change. No matter that Israel is firmly committed to discussing with the PLO. No matter

drop it. I will not respect any agreement." So much for the continuity of the

community, the Jewish community, in these areas. This is the heart of the land

Jordan. It can bring a mil-lion refugees to the field, and they will be settled on the Green Line [Israel's 1967 border]." All of these statements are pre-emptive strikes on a

negotiating agenda which Bibi apparently has no in-tention of following. For him, talks with the Palestinians mean reluctantly preserving the status quo of limited autonomy within the present crazy-paving pattern of separate PLO-run slivers of territory. And even those tawdry little enclaves are no longer to

wages war on terror in the areas under his control,

Palestinian state be estabsary steps, we will not keep the hands of the army and our security forces tied. I intend to let the army and its officers have the freedom to act in all places." As for his invitation to israel's neighbours to join

"the circle of peace", there can only be one target for that saccharine-tipped shaft, and Syria is unlikely to be impressed by the pros-pect of talks with a man who has stated unequivo-cally that Israel will keep the Golan Heights. Nor, for that matter, will

many Arabs be too enam-oured of the massive conde-scension implicit in Netanyahn's offhand comment: The Arabs are quite realistic. When there is a weak government like the government of Mr Peres, they demand everything, they get everything, and they demand more."

Soundbites, all. But some-

lished, it will forge alliances with Iran and Iraq. A Pales-tinian state will threaten their agenda, and not ours. If they raise the issue, I will Given the rhetoric of Israel's next prime

> peace process.
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> The same long-term talks, due to be concluded within Netanyahu's four-year term, will cover three other issues: refugees, Jewish settlements and the borders and status of Palestine. Here is Bibi on a Palestin-ian state: "[It] is an existential threat to Israel. Israel will ensure a Palestinian state will not be estab-lished." On the Jewish settlements, he is equally adamant: "We'll certainly strengthen the settlement

be regarded as out of bounds for Israel's occupa-tion forces. Here is the Netanyahu vision of partner-ship in peace: "If Arafat

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# Star of the numbers game Music was his cup of tea

ARRY Campion. | war effort. The government's who has died aged | initial reaction had been to 91. presided over a look for an economy in manwartime revolution in British economic statistics and became the main architect of the Central Statistical Office (now the National Statistical Office) when he succeeded Francis

The revolution included the regular preparation and issue of official quarterly and annual national accounts on the basis of the work done by James Meade and Richard Stone. It also included the collection and circulation — ini-tially to ministers in secret statistical digests — of a com-prehensive record of recent changes in employment and production. A change was also made in statistics presentation, with a more generous layout of the tables and a more inviting typeface for the figures. No one unfamiliar with the crowded pages of pre-war Statistical Abstracts, the lack of regular production statistics, and the almost total absence of a set of monthly or even quarterly data showing what was happening in the much was changed in 1940-11.

The work began with Campion's arrival in the War Cab-

inet offices in December 1939 to form, along with John

the staff of Lord Stamp and

Rex Collings

power by suspending the collection of statistical data without asking how an all-out war could be fought without such data. Campion had evidence of Whitehall's unfamiliarity with statistics. On his first day, as he explained in a 1984 after its establishment in 1941. I talk, he was asked if he could provide figures of employ-ment in the engineering industry. "I told them," he said, "that the figures they wanted were all in the Ministry of Labour Gazette. There was no copy in the Cabinet Office but it would be ordered. So I went out myself at lunchtime and bought a copy... The copy the office ordered arrived a week

The first moves in improving the statistical apparatus may have been made by Campion and it was later his responsibility to carry forward the changes initiated once he became director of the Central Statistical Office. But others played at least as large a part in bringing the changes about. They were well under way before the Central Statis-tical Office was established at

Campion was a typical Lan-castrian, born in Worsley and educated at Farnworth grammar school and Manchester University. He served for three years as a statistician with the joint committee of the Cotton Trades' Organisa-tions and in that capacity had



He had little sympathy with the 'damned lies' approach to statistics and was reluctant to admit their fallibility

taken part in the preparation of a regular digest of statistics ter Statistical Society, then published as a book. After for the cotton industry — a Daniels's death he published a valuable training for the offi-cial statistical digests he was second book on Public and Private Property, a pioneering later to issue. After a year in 1932 in the US as a Commonstudy of the growth of capital and changes in its ownership. One of the conclusions to wealth fellow, he was appointed to a lecturership in statistics at Manchester Uniemerge from these books was that the changes effected in versity combined with the the distribution of capital by post of secretary to the recently formed Economic high taxation were much smaller than had been generrecently formed Economic Research Section, one of the earliest groups of its kind in Britain. By 1936 he had been promoted to the Robert Ottley Readership in statistics. Shortly afterwards he embarked on research into the distribution of the national control research are performed. ally assumed. Shortly before the outbreak of war, Campion became involved in the work on the national income fi nanced by the National Institute, on which Professor Bowley was engaged and Campion was presumably the author of capital preparing a paper with the paper on the subject that that title in conjunction with Professor George Daniels that appeared in the Economic Journal in March, 1940. was first read to the Manches-After the war, Campion

took a leading part in international discussions on statistics. These interested him greatly and he was a popular figure among his European colleagues at Geneva meetings. They appreciated his so-lidity and respected his authoritativeness and dependability. He acted as the Exchequer, Reginald Mau-director of the United dling, took no deflationary Nations' Statistical Office in action, claiming that the econ-1946-47 and for the next 20 years served as a member of the UN's Statistical Commission. From 1963 to 1967 he was president of the International Statistical Institute and from 1957 to 1959 president of the Royal Statistical Society. His honours included the CBE in 1945, a knighthood in 1957 and an honorary doctorate from Manchester when he retired in 1967.

made him a competent admin-istrator. In the 1960s he resisted attempts to centralise the issue of government sta-tistics in the CSO and take responsibility away from the departments immediately concerned. He had always worked mainly with economists and his interests centred on economic statis-tics. So his relations were much closer with the Board of Trade and the Ministry of Labour than with the depart-ments dealing with social with the "damned lies" ap-proach to statistics and was

wrote little for publication but | bility even when the CSO was obliged to amend them, as happened with the export figadjustments. In 1964, when the index of production, as first issued, remained unchanged for nine months while the economy overheated, the Chancellor of the omy was stuck. But almough the index was extensively revised, first in one direction. then in the other, in subsequent years. Campion admitted no error, arguing that the underlying figures, before seasonal adjustment, remained unaltered. Campion was a good na-tured and helpful colleague, well informed and with an ob-

servant eye. He was some what inarticulate and taciturn but pungent and perceptive in his comments He liked to get on with the job. quietly effective in arguing his case, and successful in maintaining the CSO's authority throughout his 26 years as director. His leisure interests were mainly in gardening. He had a passion for growing roses, enjoyed a round of golf and was a cricket enthusiast. He was unmarried.

Alec Caimcross

Sir Harry Cempion, statistician, born May 20, 1905; died May 24,

HERE was never a gentler, more civilised musical impresario than Ivan Sutton, who has died aged 81. For 50 years. as founder and chairman of the City Music Society, he organised weekly City of London lunchtime recitals. Inspired by Dame Myra Hess's wartime lunchtime concerts at the National Gallery, he created at Bishopsgate Hall a similar at-mosphere of family musicmaking, and while the National Gallery concerts stopped at the end of the war, Sutton's still continue.

The City Music Society lay at the root of his work as a concert-promoter, and remained his first love. It was only in the 1960s that he became a full-time impresario. For 16 years he promoted Trust House Forte dinner-concerts and recitals and later for three years acted as the City of London Festival's artistic

A tall distinguished figure. academic-looking with a slight stoop, friendly and welcoming, he was an unlikely impress-rio. His great-grandfather founded Sutton's Seeds at Reading but his father be-came a City tea and coffee merchant. Already interested in music, as a teenager Ivan rebelled against the philistinism of his school, Sevenoaks. He left to join the family firm. Then at 18 he contracted tuberculosis and spent a year

in a sanatorium where, with a wind-up gramophone, he de-veloped his love of music, graduating from Rachmaniny's Second Piano Concerto and the Litolf Scherzo to Beethoven quartets, before returning to his father's firm.

During the war he regularly attended the National Gallery concerts, and in 1943, still at the height of the war, he began the lunchtime City concerts. reflecting the wartime surge of musical interest. At first he had to rely on members' subscriptions, but later got backing from City firms. Sutton was proud that the events he promoted included the last recital of the great German so-prano, Elisabeth Schumann, and the first recital by a cello and piano duo he himself had proposed, Jacqueline du Pre and Stephen Bishop — later

That last was not in the reg-ular series of lunchtime reci-tals at Bishopsgate Hall, but in one of the evening concerts held every season by the society at another City venue, Goldsmiths' Hall. In the early what was obvious: Sutton was much more interested in sell the firm and was encouraged when Lord Crowther. Trust Houses' then managing director, agreed to his idea of promoting recitals by leading artists preceded by gourmet

The first one - with the pianist John Ogdon -- was at the Swan in Lavenham. Sutton always counted as his peak of achievement that on one occasion - through his contacts at the Aldeburgh Festival, where he was a regular visitor - he persuaded Sviatoslav Richter to appear at the Swan, playing for an audience of just 120 people. So for 16 years, from a small Holborn office, Sutton ran an expanding series of hotel dinner-concerts and also promoted musical weekends. He resigned when the group's management resolved to take he project down-market -

and he wanted to move on. Sutton was always looking for new talent, often presen ing debut recitals at Bishopsgate Hall, particularly before Wigmore Hall resumed its role as the capital's major recital venue. He struck gold in Hun-gary, where through his con-tacts such artists as Andres Schiff, Deszo Ranki, the Takacs Quartet and Zoltan Kocsis appeared in Britain. His Goldsmiths' Hall concerts had earlier also provided a model for the biannual City of Lon-



Sutton . . . anti-philistine

don Festival concerts and Sutton became a director of the City Arts Trust, from 1980 to 1983, also acting as the festi-val's artistic director. By then his wife, Dorothy, had died, and he decided to concentrate once more on the City Music Society. He had special satisfaction in promoting not just the weekly Bishopsgate Hall concerts but cycles of string quartets, by Beethoven. Bar-tok and Shostakovich, in concentrated series of lunchtime concerts. He clocked up his half-century of active manage-ment of the society in 1993, be-fore becoming the elected

Sutton's musical tastes were catholic. To the end he remained an enthusiast, "not on the wavelength of the extreme avant-garde", but more than eager enough over modern music to ensure that the City Music Society regularly commissioned and promoted new works from many

Edward Greenfield

Ivan Sutton, concert promoter born December 27, 1914; died

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nnian what we nery began 1995 ared "7 years. Guy Stewart Dear husband of Brigid Jamer of Adam, Jo and Foror and grantiather of Ben. Chairman of the Exmoor Society for 19 years Funoral service at Alcombe Church on Monday, 10th June at 12 noon. Family flowers only Considers of desired is the Europer Society, on Misraell 8. Desires technical consistency.

#### In Memoriam

#### Memorial Services

carterature. - A public mamorial service will be field in remembrance of Professor James Derick Birchall OBE FRS outstanding research chemist and inventor. The service will be held at Keele University Chapel on Tuecday 2nd July 1996, at 2.30pm and all inends and colleagues are very welcome Detaits are available from Susse Garner. Public Relations Department, Keele University, Tol. (01782) 583-42.

#### Births

**Birthdays** 

WALKER/WARMAN, Mark and Trina announce the birth of Harry Mark Francis Warman, 30th May 1996

#### Engagements

# Classic acts of faith

has died aged 70, was one of a small number of publishers who opted out of working for the big publishing houses after they had increasingly become part of conglomerates. As a small independent he hoped to become one of the green shoots for a new era of publishing as it was in the days of book-loving individual proprietors.

that of Rex Collings and his partner Ian Coltart it is Down would have seen the Rex went from the Indian light of day. Rex told the story of how one wet wintry night passing university because he Down would have seen the light of day. Rex told the story an elderly man in a wet raincost and wearing a bowler came into his dingy Marylebone offices carrying a manuscript in the proverbial brown paper parcel. He said it an editor in 1950, going to had been turned down by 14 Nairobi in 1956 as the east

Asked why, Richard Adams - for it was he - replied: "Because they think that a male rabbit called Hazel would not sell, and I won't change his name." Rex, who specialised in children's as well as African books, saw it as a winner, and he went on to publish, with Penguin, Shardik and The Plague Dogs. Another of his coups was to

for Literature. Unlike most publishers of

children's books, Rex used children — including mine to read and report on manu-A few years ago, he was forced to sell his firm to a Ni-

gerian company after large sums owing to him were blocked in Lagos. At the time of his death he was setting up Les Editions Rex Collings with another of his authors, Zaire's Thomas Kenze.

was supporting his widowed mother. His subsequent education was acquired as an habitué of the London Library. He joined Penguin as African representative of the Oxford University Press. Two years later he returned to London as OUP's overseas editor, and never lost his in-

terest in Africa. Rex had other passionate interests, particularly cricket, and spent the day be-fore he died at the Oval watching the Indian-English international. He was an afficionado of the Isle of Iona in arrange to smuggle out of Ni-geria the manuscript of The ally spent Easter and Christ-Man Died - its author Wole | mas. However, services at the Soyinka was then in prison. abbey did not appeal to his writer, born for this and other works pub-robust beliefs as a higher An-May 22, 1996

EX COLLINGS, who | lished by Collings, Soyinka | glican. He also enjoyed fight has died aged 70, was | was awarded the Nobel Prize | ing elections which, he said ing elections which, he said, gave him a real kick. He stood

After selling his company he become a publishing consultant — for example, train-ing Africans to establish their own university presses — and devoted himself to authorship. The Scent of Popples is a semi-autobiographic novel. A Crash of Rhinoceroses is a dictionary of collective nouns in which he traces the origins of such phrases as a blush of boys and a pride of lions and suggests possible new ones, including a pod of publishers and a smut of photographers. Among other anthologies h edited were Body in the Library and Murder in the Vicarage. Quite out of character, but something he said he took on as a challenge, was his de-cision to edit Enoch Powell's speeches, which appeared as Reflections of a Statesman. Rex devoted much of his

time in recent years to his work as a trustee of the Africa Educational Trust, a London based charity which provides funds and back-up support for refugees in Britain to acquire degrees and training relevant to the needs of their own

Colin Legum

Rex Collings, publisher and writer; born June 18, 1925; died



Special relationship with Africa . . . Rex Collings, publisher, writer and campaigner

#### Birthdays

Bob Champion, trainer and topher Cockerell, inventor of the hovercraft, 86: Andrea Jaeger, tennis player, 31; Elizabeth Jolley, writer, 74: Tony Pigott, cricketer, 38; Geoffrey Palmer, actor, 69; Lord Rayleigh, chairman. Lord Rayleigh's Farms, 37; Brian Rose, cricketer. 46; Dan Topolski, writer, photographer and rowing coach, 51; Dennis Weaver, actor, 72;

#### Appreciation: **Leon Garfield**

Derek Kartun writes: Where does literary talent spring from? My cousin Leon Garfield (obituary, June 3) came from a large Jewish family made up of commercial high achievers, some spectacular failures - and Leon, who was looked upon as the least likely to succeed. Yet he made himself into a kind of prophetic figure. He even looked the part with his tormented features, faltering voice and bizarre taste in hats.

Leon was the mildest and ( spoke of nothing but the plays ( Chris Grace (director of ani- ) much for his cerebral qualigentlest of men. The bedrocks he was working on for the of his intellectual life were second volume of his tales Shakespeare, Dickens - on both of whom he became a considerable authority — and music. My own introduction to classical music was unusual man. Equally gentle hunched with Leon over his and modest, she would shut modest collection of 78s. We herself away to write her would invariably end up with ghost stories while Leon ago-Beethoven's Fourth Piano concerto with Solomon at the his current Shakespeare text keyboard. The last time Leon | to a background of his chosen |

from Shakespeare. Vivien, a talented writer for children berself, made the ideal partner for this very

and Vivien visited us, he Baroque composer of the day, tors came to revere Leon as justly proud of that.

mation S4C) writes: The three hour flight to Moscow in the 1990s with Leon Garfield during the making of the Animated Shakespeare series was a rewarding if somethat daunting experience. Rewarding because of Leon's passion for Shakespeare; daunting because of his assumption that you shared his scholarship. Fortunately the Russians combined both. Their animaties and instinctive empathy for their craft as for his spectacular bow ties and ankle length coat. The regard was mutual. Leon, as much as Shakespeare, became a bridge betwen two peoples and cul-tures separated since the Russian revolution. The legacy of those years is a series of films now seen in 50 countries and, as important, in continual use in the classroom. Leon was

# Jackdaw

David Yip, actor, 45.



#### Whose fault

YESTERDAY, no one wanted to take responsibility for the walkway which fell into the Tagus in the morning, causing two deaths. The Tagus Hydrographic Confederation a department of the Ministry of the Environment, denied being the organisation which ordered it to be placed. "That bridge was neither built nor maintained by my department ever. We have nothing to do with it." At the Confed-eration of the Tagus, "the possibility that the work was of the Ministry of Development'

However, a spokesman of this ministry denied that De-

velopment was the organisation responsible for conse ing and maintaining the fallen any case, it must be the National Heritage's, because

nization (it is next to the Prince's Cardens]." The National Heritage, for its part, also denied being responsible for the maintenance of this construction. "The walkway belongs to Develop-

this zone belongs to that orga-

ment. We do not build over Development rejected these declarations. "We have checked our files. Logically, it is the Tagus Confederation who must conserve the bridge. It is also possible that the bridge belongs to the restaurant [El Castillo] which is next to the walkway." Yesterday, the management of

the catering establishment denied that the bridge was their responsibility. "Last year, it was repaired by workers of the Ministry of Public Works, or at least that's what the workers said." For its part, the Ministry of

the Environment ruled out the

bridge being their responsi-

bility. "If it's anyone's, its National Heritage's," they maintain.

The only certainty is that last year is the last time the bridge was painted. . . In front of it [the bridge] were two signs saying that it should not be used by fewer [sic] than 10 people at a time. These were not signed by any organisation. Extract from a supplementary

article appearing in the Madrid edition of the news paper El Pais 30/5/96, printed underneath the main article describing the collapse of the footbridge over the River lagus in the town of Arunjuez in Spain. Translated by Sagrario Gallego. Reported by Vi cente G. Olaya.

#### Unproofed

80pt x franklin x gothic ulc x3 line x centred x 80pt Er . . . This was the enormous headline on an article by Richard Hoggart in yesterday's Daily Express. Even Hoggart, author of The Uses of Literacy, might feel a little nonplussed by this example of the English

language in action. It is actu-

ally a type instruction, meaning something along the lines of: 80 point Franklin Gothic uppper and lower case in three s, centred. Hoggart's article is about the possibility of postmen going on strike. ostmen join proof-readers strike, perhaps?

#### Season gents

WHITE tie can only be worn with a white shirt and a stiff wing collar, white bow tie and starched white waistcoat White or gold studs should be worn with the waistcoat. Top hat, cane and white gloves are all optional but rarely worn nowadays.
A starched white handker-

chief should be worn in the top pocket. The hankerchief is 600 years old and Richard II is accredited with its intervention, having been above the normal custom of blowing the nose on the sleeve or on to the floor.

Suitable for any day or evening event, most Scots would consider highland dress to be quite inappropriate for any one without Scottish blood and even then rarely to be

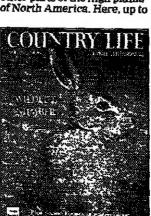
worn South of the Border! Thanks to a charter passed in Queen Anne's time, those Englishmen who opt for a kilt can wear Royal or Highland Stewart tartans only, or prepare to be challenged on their lineage by any passing Scot. A kilt is incomplete without a sporran; the skean-dhu (ceremonial dagger) is worn on the right leg if you are right handed and vice versa; black laced brogues should be tied up the leg over cream dress socks held up with gaiters other parts of the high plains and coloured flashes; don't forget to fasten your kilt with

a kilt pin; and finally a true Scot will wear nothing under his kilt except his bravery. To save embarrassing moments whilst reeling, the sporran is designed to weigh the kilt down. For the less courageous, underwear is Invaluable advice for dressing for the season. in Moss Bross "Gentleman's Guide to Formal

Dressine". Sexual sneeze

THE grouse family is more addicted to spectacular com-

munal displays of competing for sex than any other family of birds. These are called leks, and the black grouse versions are justly famous. The cocks swell their necks, spread their lyre tails over their backs and strut about crooning and sneezing at ate sound effects. passing females. The leks take place at the same spot old age group of ravers. year after year, but these are small compared with the sage grouse leks of Wyoming and



Rave review . . . Country Life | coral reef in the Florida Keys,

400 males have been seen to gather together in spring for dawn dances. At the height of its display, a cock sage grouse inflates two olive-coloured sacks of air on its chest and then bounces them in and out of its feathers with appropri-Country Life reports on an

#### III wind

THE atmosphere on the bridge of the marine and atnospheric science research ship Columbus Iselin was far from pure one night as the ship sailed off the Florida

For the master of the 280

gross ton vessal was suffering from a bout of flatulence. And the resulting odours were said to have been so offensive that the master and the watchkeeper had to evacuate the 'relatively confined' wheelhouse to seek fresh air on the bridge wings. In the ensuing distraction, the 34 vear old research ship —

owned by the University of

Miami — ran aground on a

some 20 miles east of Key

According to a report in the Australian Maritime Officer ournal the master was so embarrassed by the incident that he immediately asked to be relieved of command and subsequently surrendered his licence to the Coast Guard.

He initially told investigators that he had "blacked out" for several minutes before the grounding, but later with drew this statement. The full story emerged when lawyers were taking formal statements from crew members but Coast Guard officials dipiomatically decided to blame the incident on "negligence" Bad winds blowing in Florida reported in the Numast

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# Finance Guardian

it could be cheaper for you, say two of Britain's leading companies, as bakers bite back at protestations of 'hand' that offers the consumer long odds on instant £1m



City high-flyer . . . the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street may have seen things stranger than the launch of

# Millions will save on BT charges

Few crumbs of comfort for Camelot

Cakemakers rise up against lottery operator's defence. DAN ATKINSON reports

Camelot may discover that and trouble list all it ap-in cakemakers it has picked peared. Point one declared:

blood, sweat and tears involved in making lottery
profits — likely to be un
see transactions approach
that of the four main High
Street banks put together."

Apacs said.

HONE charges for millions of British l'elecom's residenbe reduced sharply from next year under new price control proposals pub-lished yesterday by Oftel, the

industry regulator.

Don Cruickshank, the director general of Oftel, is proto abolish price controls on all BT services other mull business customers. But tougher-than-expected

charges — welcomed by con-

savings of about 28-a-year comes into effect next year. BT's shares 13p up at 368.5p. Mr Cruickshank said business customers had benefited oftel switched away from ers, they contribute well under dation to the bomost from past price cuts. Of- plans to continue with price 25 per cent of group profit. The tance, he added.

yesterday after being roasted for months about

easy profits. It lashed out at

an innocent bystander —

tel believed price caps here caps on a broad range of BT top 20 per cent of high spendwere no longer necessary because increasing and more efficient competition would of competition for medium tools, though Oftel is seeking a force BT to continue to cut prices to keep market share. Mr Cruickshank said he had

decided to load price cuts on the consumer market because a better deal. Small to medium-spending domestic customers and small businesses still needed protection.

He also proposed to increase his ability to deal with anti-competitive behaviour

by including a catch-all fair trading clause in BT's licence. BT is strongly opposed to this on the grounds that it will be sumer groups - could lead to unable to challenge Mr Cruickshank's decisions. whether to accept or reject | come down by 7.5 per cent be | BT executive in charge of the The City's cautious wel-come to the proposals left rejects, the matter will have to be resolved by the Monopo-lies Commission.

AMRLOT, the lottery veiled today at £70 million the sort of hygiene stan-operator, hit back for the current year. dards one would associate

The lottery may be no cakewalk. But neither is

making a piece of cake and

Double-page national on the wrong minority.

One industry source yeshandle over 33 million transactions, sometimes about the care and skill inverse over 30,000 a minute."

present broader regime. Mr Cruickshank said that over the past six years these customers had seen prices fall by only 2.7 per cent a year before inflation at a time

with the Papworth heart-

Nor was Camelot's toll

"Every week we have to handle over 33 million

Point two elaborated: lunchtime, the peak of

"That means . . . a UK com- | cash-machine use, could

transplant unit.

and large business markets.

The new regime will cover 26

compared with 64 per cent at

The main price cap will cut

call charges for four out of five of BT's residential and

small business customers. The group will have to cut

their charges by 4.5 per cent before inflation — equivalent to 7.5 to 8 per cent under the

present, and run until 2001.

fore inflation.
Although BT's 20.5 million. residential customers far out-number its business subscrib-

will rise in real terms for the same amount of usage.

Mr Cruickshank also intends to investigate the high work to mobile phone opera-tors Vodafone and Cellnet, who, he suspects, might be exploiting their market power. BT welcomed Mr Cruickshank's decision to reduce regulation and to end all controls by 2001. But they thought it would be difficult to achieve the cost cutting needed to reduce residential prices at the rate Oftel is

price review project, said the proposals were "a curate's

Richard Tyson-Davies, of the bank clearing system Apacs, said of point two: "I wouldn't challenge it", but

added that Camelot was not

Camelot's 33 million

transactions look a little weedy compared with the

weekly total of 173 million bank transactions. Friday

comparing like with like.

open a new rank account to receive a regular standing order intended to cover their monthly Tesco shopping. They will then be able to pay at the checkout and at the petrol station with the new Club-card. It will also be possible to get an "overdraft", usually equal to the monthly pay-ments into the account. Interest charges on the

overdrawn amount will be only 9 per cent per annum, while the annual interest rate paid on credit balances will be 5 per cent, making the account the most competitive pons every three months.

# Tesco adds 'own label' banking to loyalty card

ESCO yesterday stepped up the supermarket war and sent tremors when it launched an en hanced version of the Clubcard loyalty scheme which will also operate as a highly competitive bank account.

The "own-label banking scheme is the first in the UK t is modelled on an example operated by Carrefours in France, and is an extension of the "affinity card" concept which links an organisation such as a charity with a

credit card company.
Terry Leahy, the company's scribed the new Clubcard shopping bill. It allows customers to take control of their budget."

Card holders will have to open a new bank account to

How it works

Withdraw cash from NatiWest tills or at the checkout

for both borrowing and sav-ing of any such budget

Banking facilities and administration will be handled by NatWest, and it will be possible to withdraw cash from the bank's electronic tills using the Clubcard Plus

Tesco marketing director Tim Mason described the arrangement as "own label banking", drawing a comparison with Tesco's use of lead-

produce everything from baked beans to cola.

A NatWest spokesman de-scribed the arrangement as co-branding and said it would quickly be followed by a num-ber of similar deals. "We do what we are good at; they do what they are good at. What ministering accounts and

credit management," he said. He said that the attractive against the narrow use of the card. It is unique to Tesco and does not have standard current account facilities such as standing orders or a cheque book. NatWest's best savings rate on an ordinary account is currently 2.9 per cent, while its standard overdraft

rate is 17.5 per cent. As well as acting as a pay ment card, Clubcard Plus also operates in the same way as ing up points based on the amount spent, which are converted into money-off cou-

#### Notebook

### Canny initiative threatens banks



Edited by Mark Milner

William banking. That is what yesterday's announcement from Tesco amounts to. Shoppers may just see an extra twist to the Clubcard loyalty scheme, but behind that is a NatWest bank account and NatWest's account

nanagement expertise. It is no different in princi ple from putting a Tesco label bury's chocolate or Heinz baked beans (since the US baked beans (since the US group finally caved in last year and agreed to manufac-

ture for the supermarkets).
That must send shivers up
the spines of Britain's bankers. The banks have been ers. The banks have been worrying for years about the threat from retailers. But that threat has usually been seen as direct competition, in the way that Marks & Spencer is now a mainstream immodal.

service provider. The Tesco move, which will no doubt be big retailers, must be much more worrying because it attacks the banks' standing as retail brand owners, threaten-ing to turn them into commodity suppliers of banking administration.

Any commodity business is low-margin business, difficult to differentiate. Just look at the abundant evidence of own-label grocery manufac-turing for the supermarkets. That is also clear from the astonishing rates offered by Tesco to borrowers and savers, which put NatWest's ex-

tating products in the shade. But this is the future for the banks if they lose control over distribution and see their brands overwhelmed by lead-ing retailers. As the number of bank branches shrinks, while superstores continue to bestride the land, it seems the the retailers.

COUPLE of chickens came home to roost yesterday. They were long overdue, but nonstheless wal-

First. Ofwat's director-ganeral, Ism Byatt, handed out a merited drubbing to York-shire Water over its handling Mr Byatt dealt in more than barsh words. His decision to restrict Yorkshire Water's ability to raise prices will take a £40 million chunk out of the company's revenue vears, while the performance argets he has set will cost an

additional 285 million. The combination of the two is a timely, and one hopes effective, reminder that utilities have duties to their customers as well as to their

Eagle Star swoops with policy

to cover several bundles of iov

Byatt's strictures, leaving the shares little changed on the day, there is an argument for saying that it is only the possibility of a takeover bid which is supporting the price.

The second welcome arrival

took the form of a departure, with the resignation of Tom Long, a director of the foot-wear group Scholl. Mr Long decided to go in protest against the terms of the remu-He is likely to come under fire from boardroom conservatives for breaking ranks, so publicly, on the sensitive issue of boardroom rewards. Even among those who be-

mittees should exercise a restraining influence, there will be many who believe it should be done behind closed doors. Mr Long's resignation has not only brought the de-bate, after Cadbury and Greenbury, back into the open, he has also shown there

The results of lottery opera tor Camelot, due for publica

BRITISH Telecom's direc-tors should think long and hard before taking any decision to reject the lat-est price controls and compe-

industry regulator. The package contains much of benefit to BT — a substantial reduction in regulation from next year, greater pricing freedom in the business market, where it makes most price controls in the year

The group is opposed to Of-tel's plan for a catch-all licence clause outlawing anticompetitive behaviour. As a point of principle, it feels that nied by a procedure for chal-lenging Oftel's decisions.

If it is unable to stomach this part of the proposals, it age. This would automatically result in a Monopolies Commonths of uncertainty for its customers and shareholders, and others in the telecom

industry. Both BT and Oftel believe that the ideal solution to the concerns about anti-competi-tive behaviour would be for the Government to implement key parts of European compe-tition law. To date the Govarment has only published a consultation paper on this issue but is clearly moving in Europe's direction.

As a result, there is a good chance that, if BT digs in its heels, the results of the ensuinvestigation would quickly be overtaken by changes in

general competition law. The anti-competitive clause may be unpalatable to BT, but its board would be foolish to should grab the greater free-dom in the business market and offset lower domestic prices by encouraging still further use of the phone. As shareholders. Although the stock market shrugged off Mr to talk."

of treatment for infertility. Whatever the reason, multi-ple births mean an increased financial strain on parents'

With a child's first five

rears costing an average

£20,000 according to a recent report, expectant parents may

well be attracted to an insur-ance policy which pays out a

lump sum if they produce

said: "We receive a lot of calls

we know of any insurance

from people with a history of twins in the family asking if

#### BAe director seeks Government | Facia shoe deal cobbled together support to save 40,000 jobs

sandwich unfavourably volved in cake manufac-with a 10-point list of the ture; in particular, he sug-

Chris Barrie

space industry are set to disappear in the next 15 years, despite the prospect of health-ier civil and military sales ahead, a British Aerospace director predicted yesterday.

Mike Turner, chairman of BAe's commercial aerospace division and vice president of the Society of British Aerospace Companies, said the industry had already cut employment from 235,000 six years ago to 130,000, but the industry could hope to employ only 100,000 in future. Speaking as the SBAC launched a lobbying campaign to persuade the Government to do more to support the industry. Mr Turner indi-cated that only 60,000 would be left in UK aerospace com-

ORE than a quarter of the jobs in Britain's aero-

panies if their pleas for sup-port went unheeded. Predicting that job losses were inevitable as the industry increased its productivity to compete in world markets. Mr Turner said government help was needed if UK firms

in their market share from 13 per cent in 1980 to 9 per

Specifically, the SBAC place contracts with UK com tary equipment "off the shelf"

Claiming that competition in military procurement had gone too far, Mr Turner said the SBAC wanted "some The alternative was to see the US industry secure a monopoly in the supply of much

Hefty investment in research and technology was needed. The US spent 16 times as much as the UK on new and Germany outspent the UK by four times Launch aid and competitive export finance were also Barclays creates a private bank to attract rich foreigners

Norman Barber, chairman of Smiths Industries, said the industry was lobbying gov-ernment "at the highest level". It is seeking a commitment for aid of £100 million. matched by industry, to fionstrate the value of new

Pauline Springett and Tony May

ACIA, Stephen Hinch-liffe's stricken retail empire, was dismembered

further yesterday when three of its footwear businesses were put into administration. A deal was hammered out in the High Court which has given a lifeline to the 1,700 staff employed at 379 shops across the country. It saw accountants from Price Waterhouse take over three of Facia's shoe businesses --Wisebird, Facia Footwear and lets include Freeman Hardy Willis, Saxone, and Curtess.

There had been a move by rival accountants KPMG, to be appointed also as businesses. Companies in administration can continue to past 16 weeks. operate as going concerns while those in receivership are more likely to be closed down and sold off in bits.

Price Waterhouse will try to recover the £26 million owed to Sears, Britain's biggest speciality retailer, which sears had a moral obligation sold the shoe shops to Facia to take the shops back into its last year. Facia, which for a time was

ARCLAYS Bank is to re-banking business, the UK pri-water banking business, the UK pri-water banking business and Courts.

second in size only to

the international private | Premier Bank was probably a

wealthy clients with the in-barclays Private Trust. Barclays Private Bank will tomers. The City of London troduction next month of Bar-The new-look bank is likely have about £2.8 billion of as-is rapidly becoming recog-

to be seen as a challenge to sets under management, with nised as the leading centre for Courts, the up-market arm of half its customers coming private banking outside Swit-

KPMG, the accounting firm | the parent company and sev which is running the Facia | eral of the clothing subsidiar master company on behalf of its main bank, United Mizhad lost £16 million in the

Shopworkers' union Usdaw condemned the circumstances in which Sears had sold the companies to Facia. "It seems an utter shambles said national officer Michael Gordon, who claimed that Sears had a moral obligation ownership and safeguard jobs and pension rights.

PW said it was co-operating Littlewoods as a private retail fully with rival accountants business, collapsed last week- KPMG who were appointed at end with debts of £30 million. the weekend as receivers to

aimed at richer customers — a spokeswoman for Barclays the Middle and Far East and BZW Portfolio Management, said the bank's established Eastern Europe.

eral of the clothing subsidiar-ies, including Red or Dead

and Contessa.

Mr Hinchliffe retains the raeli bank and buy back the rest of his empire, but was un-available for comment. KPMG said if Mr Hinchliffe wished to purchase anything, he would more compared with odds of have to apply to them.

Meanwhile, accountants Grant Thornton, who are receivers to Salisburys, Facia's luggage, leather goods and accessories chain, said and accessories chain, said pared with 6.321 in 1994, and has been no, so we're definey had already received 30 260 sets of triplets, over three lighted it's become expressions of interest".

Barclays said it was res-

ponding to increased demand

from wealthy overseas cus-tomers. The City of London

# NSURER Eagle Star is cashing in on the fact that expec-

tant parents have an increasand Sock Shop in the UK. He was reported to be trying to raise \$7\$ million to repay the isbirth insurance" policy.
British mothers-to-be now have a one-in-75 chance of giving birth to twins, triplets or more than one mouth to feed.

more compared with odds of Faith Hallett, of the MBA

> In 1994 - the last year for which statistics are available there were 8.451 sets of

Though there is no proven cause for the steady rise in double and treble trouble, the Multiple Births Foundation \$3,000 which is doubled if says it may be due to an increase in use of various kinds | born.

policy. Until now the answer has been no, so we're de-The Eagle Star policy, only available through Londonbased broker Marcus Hearn, offers a maximum benefit of

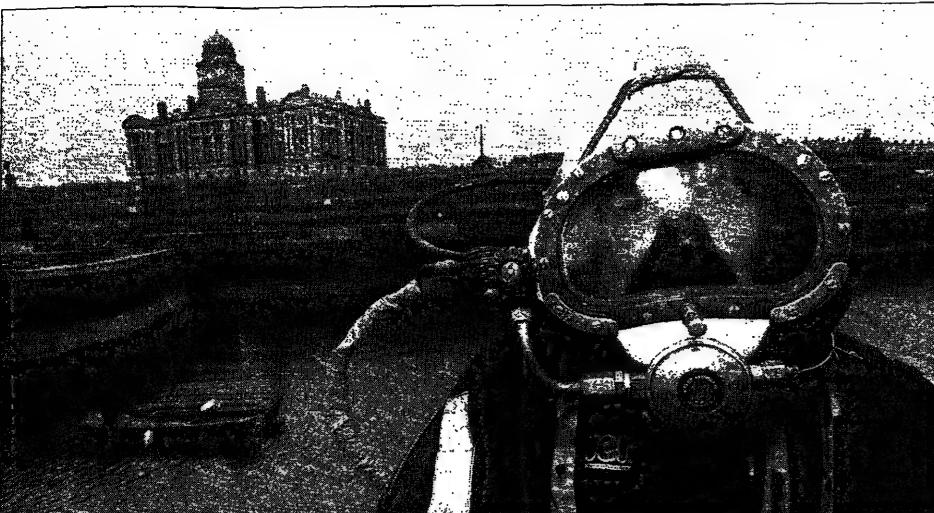
more than two children are

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Molta 0,560
Nethertands 2,5675
New Zealand 2,2240
Norway 9,84
Portugal 237,25
Saudi Arabia 5,80
Turkey 118,442
USA 1,5175

rate four of the services the NatWest Group However, from overseas, mainly from zerland," it said.

#### Wales loses 'isolated' image as Anglo-French bridge over Severn improves road links



# Smooth crossing to prosperity

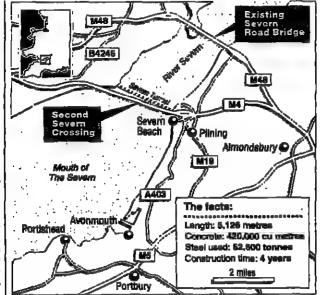
MID tight security and a frenzy of royal ribbon-cutting an Anglo-French consortium will open a 2330 million infrastructure

ing is expected to provide an important fillip to the econo-mies of South Wales and England's South West. Completed on time and on budget by the Laing-GTM grouping, it will only knock one-and-a-half miles off the motorway jour-ney from London to Cardiff. But business leaders in Wales are already talking confidently of the new link

ridding the principality of the isolated image created by the hold-ups and occasional closures of the overburdened Severn Road Bridge. An economic impact asses ment carried out by the

Welsh Development Agency and Cardiff Business School torway link could add 0.5 per cent to the growth rate of the Welsh economy between 1997 and 2002, bringing 1,300 new jobs in manufacturing, ser-

vices and transport. The impressive, three-mile structure will be officially opened by the Prince of Wales



in three separate ceremonies at the centre and either end of the bridge itself.

The new M49 link road to the bridge from the M5 at the end of the month - will cut the distance between the Welsh capital and destinations in England's south-west by 13 miles and is already making an impact on busi-ness thinking in the region.

to attract busines opment sites near the M5. The cable-stayed bridge and

lts two multi-span approach viaducts boast several advantages over the 30-year-old Severn Road Bridge.

Frozen-food supplier Brake Bros has announced plans to double the size of its Somerset base and local authorities in the county have joined forces

There are 13 toll lanes as

crossing has three and a hard shoulder. And there is the innovative three-metre high windshield which should eliminate any closures caused

by adverse weather.
Elizabeth Haywood, Welsh director for the CBI in Cardiff, says the new crossing is "des-perately needed" because de-lays on the overburdened 1960s bridge maintain Wales' image of "sitting out there isolated

and on the periphery".

But she agrees that high toll levels could have an adverse impact on local businesses. particularly those involved in producing low-value, high-volume goods and needing to use the bridge for short dis-

tance journeys.

A survey by Cardiff Business School for the BBC Wales' Week In, Week Out programme said growth prospects for Wales would be sublower toll and questioned whether the new link would mental problems in villages near the Severn and on the

# opposed to eight on the original structure. While the old bridge offers two lanes in either direction the new awaits trickle-down effect

ARRY, once one of the world's largest coal ports and now a largely derelict, depressed town overshadowed by its thriving neighbour, Cardiff, hopes that it will benefit from the promised "trickle down" benefits of the Second Severn Crossing, writes Devid Gov.

William Hague, the Welsh Secretary, yesterday officially launched the Waterfront, a 220 million regeneration scheme for a dockland area. The work is being being carried out by Associated British Ports and the Welsh Development Agency — both already involved in the multi-billion-pound Cardiff Bay project.

Waterfront, providing sites for property companies to

Waterfront, providing sites for property companies to develop up to 1,000 homes, shops and leisures facilities, was halled by David Rowe-Beddoe, WDA chairman, as "more than a cosmetic operation to clear away the legacy of past industrial activities". It was "major surgery

Critics of such schemes argue that they fail to create productive, long-term jobs. But Mr Hague and his public/ private sector partners insist that a regenerated Barry will, over time, he boosted by the impact on South Wales of the new bridge over the Severn.

the old bridge and raised tolls | recovered to 1990 levels. High in 1992 one thousand lorries a

the Business School survey border.

Previous research suggested that when Severn
River Crossing (operators of both bridges) took control of traffic levels had still not sidising the SRC monopoly."

Vided the only silver lining in the taxpayer, given that lengthy approach roads to the lengthy approach roads to the new bridge have been publicly financed, effectively subthe taxpayer, given that the townseast survey implies considerable costs to the taxpayer, given that lengthy approach roads to the particularly disappointing.

The widening gulf between the manufacturing and consumer sides of the economy

tolls, it argued, would conday stopped using it - half tinue to constrain Welsh eco- European exchange rate failing to make the journeys nomic development well into and others redirecting to the new millennium. "Morenomic development well into i

# **Pound rises** in spite of stagnant exports

Dealers boost sterling as manufacturing declines, writes RICHARD THOMAS

yesterday, brushing off news that stagnant exports had pushed Britain's manufacturing sector into its deep est recession since Black

Wednesday.

The Chancellor, Kenneth Clarke, insisted the strengthening bound would "not be prejudicial" to prospects for UK factories. Speaking in Luxembourg, he said the recent rise was simply a "reasonable stabilisation of the exchange rate".

In a surge of late buying, sterling rose by more than a pfennig against the mark to hit DM2.3750 by the tail-end of London trading or 20 ptennigs

above its low this year.

But there were fears in industry that the pound's strong run would spell further trouble for exporters, already hit by weakness in continental European economies. According to the latest snepshot of company buyers by the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply (CIPS) published yesterday, manufacturers trimmed output, laid off staff and plun-dered stocks during May — in stark contrast to consumer confidence and a rejuvenated

housing market
Peter Thomson, the CIPS iirector general, said: "This is a depressing survey. Whether or not this is the dusk before the dawn remains to be seen, but there is certainly no evidence for the rosy view of economic prospects held by the Chan-cellor and the pound is hardly

Although firms remain confident that growing household optimism and stronger retail sales will eventually filter down to industry, the CIPS survey showed the sharpest drop in overall activity since September 1992, just before the UK's ejection from the mechanism.

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OREIGN exchange was underlined by separate figures yesterday from the pound a fresh boost Bank of England, which showed bouyant growth in the money supply, seen as a

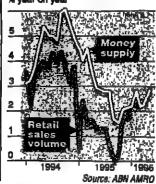
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stronger appetite for consumption." Market-watchers said the figures were likely to per-suade the Chancellor to leave interest rates at 6 per cent when he meets Eddie George. the governor of the Bank of England next Wednesday to discuss monetary policy.

Alex Gerrard, chief economist at UBS, said: "Evidence pointing to a more confident consumer will probably be enough to persuade the chancellor to leave rates on hold." But he said that recessionary conditions in manufacturing would also make it hard for the governor to press for an early rise in the cost of

borrowing. The CIPS yardstick of manufacturing health dipped to 47.1 last month from 48.2 in April, with any result below 50 signalling a decline

Money and sales



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#### £25m profit drop in wake of BSE scare

Tony May

PALGETY, the food com-pany with a large animal feedstuffs operation, warned that the scare over "mad cow" disease and an unrelated instance of contamination at a Dutch pet food fac-tory will cut up to £25 million off its profit this year.

The group, which last year made a profit of £93.7 million on turnover of £4.9 billion, said it was facing "signifi-cant" costs to write off stock in its pet food business and reformulate them to meet It has also had to write off

stock in its animal feed business, although it is expecting only a "modest" reduction in demand for animal feed. Its ingredients business has been hit by a fall in demand for beef-based products but it expects the decline to be offset by increased take-up of alter-

native products. Further costs have arisen through the actions taken to reformulate and reorganise supply to minimise the continuing effect of current trading restrictions "and meet customer preference

Dalgety's pet food division has been affected by "an iso-lated instance" at its Dutch factory of suspected product contamination by "materials currently subject to an export ban". It said the Dutch operation had recalled suspect stock and written it off

Dalgety said that after taking into account the excep-tional nature of these one-off. events it expected at least to maintain its dividend of 22p a share in the current year.

Beef sales have fallen by as much as 50 per cent after the Government said on March 20 that bovine spongiform encephalopathy — the "mad cow" disease that has infected some British herds since 1986 - might cause a fatal brain disease in humans. Sales are currently down by as much as staggering share allocations

# Dalgety fears Scholl director quits over chairman's pay

instant departure from a boardroom

on a bonus scheme too far.

looks at more one-way bets

yesterday. LISA BUCKINGHAM reports

Below, with SARAH WHITEBLOOM, she

DIRECTOR of footwear group Scholl yesterday created City history by resigning in protest at the remuneration package being offered to its incoming chairman, Stuart Wallis, who stands to gain £1 million over the next two years.

In what is thought to be the first incident involving a main board resignation over executive rewards. Tom Long, a former finance direc-tor of tobacco and insurance combine BAT, left the footwear group immediately. Mr Long said he did not object to the £100,000 a year sal-ary being offered to Mr Wal-

lis, who was given a \$25 million pay-off when Fi-

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was taken over last year.

But he said the size of Mr Wallis was recently appointed chairman of Sheffield

Mr Wallis's potential bonus was pointed chairman of Sheffield

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inappropriate for a company the size of Scholl. He argued man should not participate in a bonus scheme adding that, following the Greenbury recommendations, perfor-

project, and is also head of the publishing group LLP, which staged a management buy out from Lloyd's of London.

Forgemasters, which hit i had gult in protest at the in-headlines for supplying steel centive scheme, which is thought to demand a profit improvement in line with market expectations.

The fracas over remunera-tion at Scholl came as it

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group. This performance hur-dle can be instead of, or as

well as, the EPS target.

Protests over remuneration prompted an instant departure from a boardroom instant departure from a boardroom in 1995 and was on target to earn almost £30 million over five years.

Even though the remunera-tion package for Mr Sorrell was amended last year after a shareholder protest, his sal-ary and short-term bonus rose by 12.5 per cent to £1.45 million. In addition, Mr Sorrell earned £877,000 from the company's long-term incentive plan and was given a \$318,000 pension contribution

WPP's annual report dis-closed that Mr Sorrell also gained £299,000 on the excercise of share options and was entitled to another £3.5 mil lion of fees, payable in shares, not yet exercised. He was also

#### News in brief

#### Hopes of debt deal **boost Eurotunnel**

SIR Alastair Morton will not be replaced when he retires from Six Alastair Morton will not be replaced when he retires from Eurotunnel later this year. He reiterated a pledge to stay on until the company reached a refinancing agreement with its creditor banks. Then the Anglo-French Channel tunnel operator will have Patrick Ponsolle as its sole executive chairman. Shares in Eurotunnel rose strongly in Paris on runnours that a deal on the group's £8 billion of debt might be close. Last week the French and British co-chairmen gave differing views on when they thought Eurotunnel could reach an agreement with its banking syndicate. — Tony May

#### WH Smith confirms job cuts

BILL Cockburn, chief executive of retailer WH Smith, confirmed BILL Cockburn, onter executive or retailer with Stutin, confirmed that lay offs will be announced within "a couple of weeks" but said the number would be less than the 1,000 reported in newspapers. Mr Cockburn indicated that, among other changes, the London headquarters would be streamlined and management layers removed. "It's important for any company to look closely at layers removed. "It's important for any company to look closely at the head office when making changes," he said. "We're not just cutting costs by cutting people. We want to create a better organisational structure, less bureaucracy, fewer layers of monagement and a sharper focus on the customer."

Reports that it planned to sell its 50 per cent stake in the Do-It-

All home improvement chain were also speculation, he said. adding: "Our top priority is to make Do-It-All more profitable than in the past and consume less cash." — Bloomberg

#### More aid for Names sought

LLOYD'S of London said yesterday it would try to give more financial help to its hardest-hit investing Names. The move was welcomed by Names' action groups which have been threatening to reject the insurance market's proposed £3.1 billion settlement offer unless more assistance was given to financially ruined members. A Lloyd's spokesman said extra money was being sought from agents and other members of the insurance market Lloyd's is planning to set up an arrangement which will give Names a guaranteed annual income. — Pauline Springett

Unigate's £42m US takeaway
UNIGATE took a further step in the disposal of its US restaurant
assets yesterday with the sale of its Black-eyed Peas chain to assets yesterday with the sale of the Diach-eyet reas chain to DenAmerica Corp for £41.9 million. The British food manufacturer and distributor said it would take a charge of £59.5 million to

Unigate said the loss it was making on the sale was offset by the Unigate said the ross it was officer sale of its stake of nearly one third of the Dutch foods firm Nutricia and Giltspur — Tony May

#### Avis in takeover talks

AVIS car hire, one of the biggest employee-owned companies in AVIS car nire, one or the bigger and approached about a the US, yesterday confirmed that it had been approached about a schemes, the worry is that they will offer potentially staggering share allocations for executives without suffi- line New Bridge Street consul-

# Incentive plans enhance scope for abuse

off the starting blocks in criteria. the attempt to link the the returns available to investors. But remuneration con- tors to stand to double their sultants already warn that salaries under the terms of new-style, long term incentuse plan. And these longer-tive plans (LTIPs) offer term tusually about three greater scope for abuse than years) reward schemes are the discredited share options being installed on top of the they are designed to replace. more immediate gratification Remuneration committees will be forced to bare sharp

teeth if shareholders and the wider public are to be con-vinced that the drive to weld are concerned at the possibilexecutives' financial fortunes to the success with which they do their jobs is not simply another one-way bet for

by last year's Greenbury Committee report, which LTIPs And because they are urged a greater linkage be- all starting from different tween boardroom rewards points and are at a different and those on offer to employ | stage of industrial maturity.

The Guardian Index of Too pay of their executives with Executive Pay reveals it is by

no means unusual for direcof annual cash bonuses.

Faul Emerton, of the proxy voting agency, Manifest, also points out that shareholders ity that they are being used to replace currently unprofitable option schemes.

The difficulty for share-

the boardroom.

LTIPs were given impetus have adopted standard perforholders is that few companies mance criteria for their ees and investors.

But, as with share option schemes, the worry is that a comparative doddle for an-

OP companies are barely | ciently tough performance | tancy suggested that 80 per | are supposed to divest only if | fairly easily computable. But reward to directors even if ria call for an earnings-pertheir companies underper-formed at least half their comthree or four-year period. parator groups.

The Guardian survey shows that a significant number of companies will start to give free shares to directors a particular comparator even if group performance is only just above the bottom quartile. Enterprise Oil, for example, will make share al-A very few groups, such as BTR, have decided to pit their locations if its performance is 74th or better of the FTSE 100

IKE GKN, many companies will start to reward directors once performance is better than 64th position in the FTSE. That clearly means some executives will get shares even if their corporate performance deteriorates.

The idea of LTIPs is that directors should no longer get

performance against the FTSE 350, which contains a number of smaller compa-Others have picked a basket of international competitors, although few have been

brave enough to follow BP's example and spell out the rivals which make up the comparator group. Most commonly, companies

cent of the LTPs so far in-specific performance criteria different trigger points are stalled would offer some are met. Typically these crite-being chosen — some execu being chosen - some execu tives get nothing until their corporate performance is in the top half, others can pick share growth substantially in excess of inflation over a up 20 per cent of basic salary A number of companies once they are out of the botstipulate that their total tom quarter. Comparisons are not, howreturn to shareholders should

ever, as simple as they appear at first sight. A company whose recent performance has been poor and which starts from a low base could see performance improve more than one whose growth has been strong in recent years and is starting out as a FTSE star It all depends where you start.

Manifest's Mr Emerton comments: "For a number of companies, rewarding growth below the median is reward ing comparatively poor per-

formance. "To reward a low level of performance will see share

Looks familiar . . . the scene at Tattenham Corner

Frank Keating says the clash with Euro 96 may do the great classic, which this year features its first woman jockey, no harm

# Derby banks on Saturday double

AST year that tarnished heirloom of family silver, the Epsom Derby, switched from its timeless Wednesday slot to Saturday afternoon in an effort to restore its appoint an effort to restore its ancient lustre. The move was not considered the overwhelming

hoped-for success. Oh yeah, so what? said the punters, who might only pos-sibly have glanced at the strange-sounding nags on the telly before driving off for tea at the garden centre or DIY

emporium.
The Derby's second weekend experiment comes next
Saturday afternoon. It clashes with the opening ceremony and England's first match of Euro 96. When United Racecourses planned its move to Saturdays, it had no remote idea that England would be awarded the championship.

The fixture clash is fine for TV slugabeds, and could yet work in racing's favour. Wembley's opening ceremony with all bands to the pomp lasts from 1.30pm to 2.20. The Derby field leaps from its stalls at 2.25 — so ample time for all the post-post palaver with winners and losers before zooming back for Wem-

bley kick-off at 3.00. Epsom is lucky, mind you, that England are playing Switzerland and not, say, Scotland. Well, anyone can name three Swiss cheeses, three Swiss lakes, three Swiss musicians — but name me three Swiss footballers.

To those last forlorn sport- National Hunt festival at ing traditionalists, nevertheless, it might be painful to have a national institution with a pedigree stretching 216

within a five-mile radius with a voucher that admits a full carload for a fiver. The place is also going to be speckled with big-screen televisions showing the football.

A huge accidental bonus for Epsom is that the 1996 Derby is lining up to be the most interesting in years — in terms of flavour, personality, and varied human interest . . . the likes of Paul Kelleway, Bryan McMahon and Mark Tomp-kins add colourful home textures and don't live at No. 1 Ivory Towers, Newmarket.
And Alex Greaves will be

the Derby's first woman jockey. The nags' names even seem folksily recognisable this year for grandma's pinsticking annual flutter, which is no offence to recent Derby fields packed with probably resonant and gorgeous names in Arabic.

United Racecourses Trust, which owns Epsom, Sandown and Rempton, last month ap-pointed as managing director Sue Ellen, the 47-year old mother-of-two and former ex-ecutive director of Bupa healthcare. Her full concentration is already on next year's Derby, and she wants a low profile while Saturday's occasion is again being jockeyed along for the company by Edward Gillespie, who runs the world's supreme

collision with the soccer fi-



Classic setting . . . 'A huge accidental bonus is that the 1996 Derby is lining up to be the most interesting in years'

miles away all of 61,000 chose to watch a seven-a-side rugby tournament at Twickenham. If 61,000 turn up to Epsom next Saturday, we'll settle for that.

His Gold Cup day at Chel-Cheltenham.

The engaging enthusiast is undaunted by this Saturday's 60,000; so is the Grand National; the calendar's most

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million viewers, we can be delighted with our 40 per cent "Last year, to be honest, we everything is bounding with million viewers, we can be de-lighted with our 40 per cent share and football can get whatever they're aiming for, and we're both feet

dory."
Gillespie agrees the race might have rediscovered its more homespun character: with a pedigree stretching 218 years grubbing around for a hole in the television schedules. But that's showbiz is business.

Epsom also needs real people to throng to the Downs as extras to form a seething, happy backdrop for the cameras. It has slashed last year's grubbing around for esta. "If anything can hold its ground with a rival attraction, then surely the Derby can," Gillespie says.

"I enjoyed myself at Wembley a few Saturdays ago when the perception was that the whole country was observed and preoccupied with the Sassed and preoccupied with the Derby to maximise the calendar's most popular is Ladies' Day on Royal Ascot's Thursday with over 70,000.

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cleared up and went home thinking Saturday had So we had a jolt when the reaction began, complaining about lack of atmosphere and various other criticisms.

"But on reflection, it was an odd Derby year — with a pre-ceding winter full of expecta-tions for a genuine vintage in Celtic Swing, who then didn't run, and we came to the race with a ludicrously shortpriced favourite Pennekamp, Arab-owned and Frenchtrained, which wasn't a dra-

everything is bounding with promise: superb going in pros-pect, a 22-runner race which SETTLE DOLD punter with immense possi-bilities. And it all coincides with the football ante-post, so marvellous betting day. Well, think of all the possible soc-cer-racing spreads, doubleups and every permutation of cross-betting." How about Alex Greaves

the first ever distaff Derby winner, and Alan Shearer actually to score a goal for England?

Brighton runners and riders

# Tompkins yard shrug off **Even Top scare**

Ron Cox

HE Derby jinx has struck again. Even Top, one of the market lead-ers at 6-1, pulled out of his box with a poisoned near-fore foot at Mark Tompkins's Newmar-ket stable on Sunday.

This is the latest in a series of injury scares affecting fancied horses in Saturday's Vodafone-sponsored Classic.

Dr Massini and Dushyantor have survived setbacks in their preparation — so far — but Mark Of Esteem, Mick's Love and Nash House fell by the wayside and the absence of Even Top, the 2,000 Guin-eas runner-up, would be a serious blow to an open-looking Derby, which at this stage seems lacking in quality.

However, the Tompkins

stable are confident Even Top will come through. Although this medical hitch would

this medical hitch would seem far from ideal, it is not going to hinder his chances come Epsom on Saturday according to Phil Green, the trainer's assistant.

He explained: "We worked Even Top on Friday and he went very well, but we discovered a bit of poison in his near-fore foot on Sunday, It's a very common thing to happen, but we took the shoe off for a day and all is well.

"As it happened, he was go-ing to have an easy day anyway, so the timing could not have been better. A bit of puss came out of the foot and he now has the shoe back on - it hasn't really altered his preparation at all."

Even Top, who is due to canter today, remained at 6-1

with the leading firms yester-day, but it would be no sur-prise to see him take a walk in the betting after this interruption, however slight. There were no surprise

withdrawals at the five-day stage for Saturday's race with 22 standing their ground. Dr Massini is 4-1 favourite with Ladbrokes and Coral, and 9-2 with the Tote. Hill's bracket Michael Stoute's colt at 9-2 with Glory Of Dancer, and they shortened Shaamit from

14-1 to 12's. Frankie Dettori announced at Leicester yesterday that he is almost certain to partner the John Gosden-trained Shantou, a 66-1 shot with Hill's but only 40-1 with Ladbrokes.

This recent Sandown winner is unlikely to figure in the shake-up, but one outsider who could be over-priced is St

Mawes, at 25-1.
Second to Storm Trooper over an inadequate trip at Newmarket first time out this season, he was unsuited by season, he was this his by the tight Chester turns be-hind High Baroque before staying on well behind Don Micheletto off a slow pace in the Predominate Stakes at

By a Derby winner, Shah-rastani, out of a dam who is by another Derby winner, Slip Anchor, St Mawes will be staying on stronger than several shorter-priced rivals and

the John Dunlop stable could hardly be in better form. Dunlop sends Serendipity (3.45) up to Pontefract today. This promising colt came good with an all-the-way win

#### Anzio kicks off the week in group style for the Kelleways

GAY KELLEWAY, confident that her father Paul will win the Derby with Glory Of Dancer, kickstarted Epsom week by saddline before Control of the Control of th dling her first Group winner with Anzio at Leopardstown yesterday,

writes Ron Cox.
Nearer last than first going into the final furlong. the well-backed 7-2 chance was driven through a gap late by Ray Cochrane to beat Jim Bolger's Ailleacht by the minimum margin in

"Not bad for a horse that was claimed for six grand off the all-weather at Lingnext Saturday is going to be a field in February." en-marvellous betting day. Well, thused Gay, who trains the progressive five-year-old for a five-strong Irish syndicate.

Anzio, backed down from Stakes, but he goes for the Wokingham Handicap and

Seb Sanders and Frankie Dettori at Leicester yesterday, but controversy surrounded Pat Eddery's only winner on the card, Parsa, in the Old Dalby Handicap.

The Leicester stewards held an inquiry into the improved form shown by the John Dunlop-trained filly compared to her previous May 13, when she finished

After interviewing Eddery and Dunlop's representative, Robert Hamilton, who said the horse had been unsuited by the course and hampered by a faller, they decided they did not 5-1 yesterday, is now Royal have enough evidence to Ascot bound. "I regret he is not in the King's Stand referred the matter to Portman Square for further

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Stephen Bierley sees the holder lose his iron grip on a day of surprises and sadness at the French Open

# Stich times it right to sew up Muster

Garros certainly teetered on its axis yesterday. Thomas Muster, the French Open champion, was unthinkably beaten on his cherished red clay by Michael Stich, and there were heavy defeats for Goran Ivanisevic and Marcelo Rios, both highly fancied to have reached the quar-

There was sadness, too, when Stefan Edberg, making his last appearance here. bowed out in straight sets to Marc Rosset. The Buyers braced his wire, Jessica, spirit was willing, but after braced his wire, Jessica, while Muster had already packed his bag and disap-

Muster, the world No. 2, has | peared. He made no excuses. | been all but omnipotent on clay for more than a year; Stich, in stark contrast, has barely played any tennis since an operation for ankle ligament trouble last March. The German nearly did not come to Paris. After losing in the second round of the Italian Open he suggested his main aim was to get fully fit for Wimbledon, the only Grand Slam tournament he

No wonder he broke into a spontaneous knees-up after his 4-6, 6-4, 6-1, 7-6 victory.

Before yesterday's fourth-round encounter he had lost only three matches out of 98 on dirt since the start of the clay-court season last year, so the crowd around the Suzanne Lenglen court settled down for what appeared to be the inevitable, and barely raised a murmur as Muster took the first set.

In the midst of the apparently unremarkable came news of exceptional happenings on the centre court. Ivanisevic, having dis-parched three opponents with consummate ease, was in dire trouble against another and considerably lesser known German, Bernd Karbacher.

scarce migrant birds; they arrive unexpectedly and are unpredictable. Karbacher had beaten the Croatian on clay in a relatively insignificant tournament. The 28-year-old German has no sort of record in Grand Slam tournaments.

But there were extenuating circumstances. Ivanisevic had developed a blister on his left foot and was clearly hampered. He fell over early on and looked uncomfortable; not that he ever looks a bun-dle of unmitigated galety. With the loss of the No. 5 tured the form that saw him defeat Michael Chang on Saturday. Pete Sampras, who plays Jim Courier today, will have marked the results yesterday with some pleasure.

As Ivanisevic succumbed, so Stich began to pull Muster apart. The Austrian's will was roaring as usual but, compared to Stich, his power was only whispering. Stich, who served 23 aces, refused to be ground down and had the power and the variety to take the attack to the Austrian. "He does not like playing

me," Stich said. Even so Muster held a 5-2 seed, the bottom half of the draw has been left wide open. How badly Edberg must have match appeared certain to go

Ivanisevic defeats are like | wished he could have recap- | to five. The last time this hap-Muster had won 12-10 in the serve out at 5-4, and Stich won the tie-break 7-1.

Rios, who has zoomed into the top 10 this year, is being tipped for great things. For the time being, at least in Grand Slam tournaments, the 20 year-old Chilean amplifies the old adage that nothing is more common in the world than un successful men of talent, although he had the misfortune of playing Cedric Pioline, the last surviving Frenchman, on

the centre court.
Pioline, who will play Stich in the quarter-finals, had never previously progressed



Joy unconfined . . . Stich after upsetting the odds in Paris

beyond the fourth round here, the highlight of his career heing his US Open final appearance in 1993 when he lost fore, and the Swede had won the Samprase to Sampras.

If the crowd were with Pioline virtually to a man, woman, child and dog, then no-body was with Rios, least of all himself, and he went down rather tamely 6-4, 6-1, 6-2. If sentiment alone could

their previous three encounters.

"Allez Siefan," the crowd beseeched. Rosset ignored the

affection and, with steely precision and determination. made it a blunt goodbye. For there will be no next time for Edberg, no matter how many

# Leeds set to Cantona cash in on share boom

Tony May

EEDS UNITED will be valued at £16 million when floated on the stock market this

The club will be merged with Caspian Group, conthe owner of Queens Park Rangers. The deal was mas-terminded by Chris Akers, a former Swiss Bank Corporation corporate financier who is now chairman of Caspian on the stock market, where it is valued at £20.2 million.

portfolio of interests in football, rugby and other sports. The deal looks particularly well-timed as the City added millions to the value of soccer

pumped into clubs through pay-TV deals.

398p — putting a price tag of | club's £10 million debt. shares climbed 51p to 429t and the group is now worth

£85.8 million. One broker cited weekend driven by the implications of pay-per-view," he said. "Con-sidering we're in a close season, the share performance has been staggering."

It is estimated that Pra-miership clubs received £60 million from all television deals last season and will get more next season. The rights to televise Premiership matches from 1997 will be dis-cussed at a key Premier League meeting in Coventry later this week.

Caspian confirmed yesterday that it was in discussions which already has a listing | that might or might not lead to the acquisition of a controlling stake in Leeds's parent Caspian wants Leeds as company and asked the Stock part of its plan to build up a Exchange to suspend dealings in its shares pending a further announcement.

The company, which for-merly concentrated on the selling of cartoon characters were attracted by the prospect of billions of pounds of extra revenue that would be pumped into clubs thereof. Leeds owned by the acting chairman Bill Fotherby and Shares in Manchester United jumped 33p to a record It would also take on the

while Tottenham Hotspur QPR, brought some of his media interests into the group last year. Chris Wright, head of the

One broker cited weekend media group Chrysalis, is at-reports that digital television tempting to buy QFR and billion a year for England's around £10 million with a top 20 football clubs. "The view to sharing Rangers' Lofshare prices are all being tus Road ground.

# says 'allo Hello

John Duncan on the Frenchman finally breaking his silence

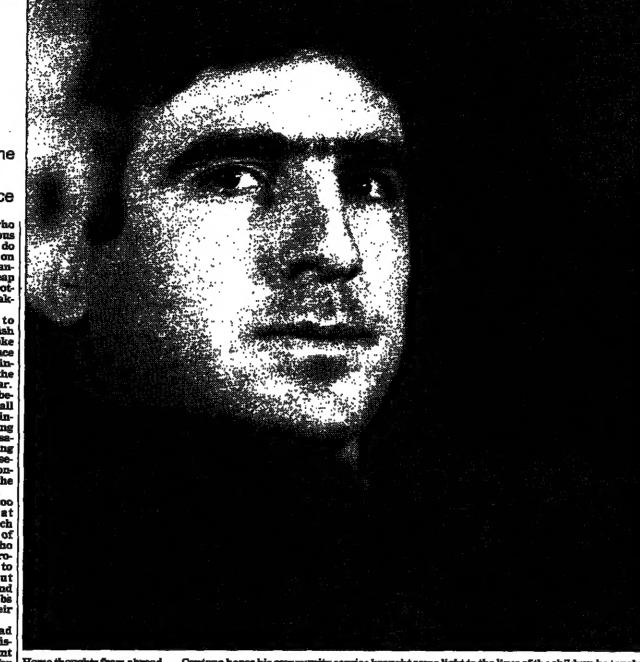
RIC CANTONA, who used to be notorious for letting his feet do all the talking — both on and off the pitch — took an-other giant feet-first leap towards the media spotlight yesterday, by speak-ing to Hello! magazine. Cantona, who used to feign ignorance of English

about the Crystal Palace lout whose racial abuse incrowd in January last year. "The hooligan? His be-

together," said Cantona, in-terviewed while relaxing with his lovely wife Isa-belle and their charming children Raphael and Joseverted farmhouse in the

Alpes de Haute Provence.
"I don't want to talk to much about him, that would give him too much Thompson, who is selling importance. He's one of those anti-social types who voke. It's the only way to have people talk about them, to exist, to pretend with their pals in the pubs when they don't sell their stories to the tabloids."

Although Cantona had previously refused to dis-cuss in detail the incident that saw him benned for eight months, and earned him 120 hours of commu-nity service. he told Hello! how much it affected him and his family. "The hardest thing was having to put



Home thoughts from abroad . . . Cantona hopes his community service brought some light to the lives of the children he taught

this kind of experience I | you have the kids to keep in | I found myself going bereact the same way. First I feel like going away, forgetting it all, escaping.
"Very quickly pride and

mind." he added.

Cantona also said that his punishment helped him in his decision to stay in Eng-land — he spent the 120 ments, the swift judgments, the resounding criticism.

My family were shocked but they were also there.

"Every time I go through proved the rapport with the club. I hope I did bring hours coaching children from less well-off areas of Manchester. "The easiest part was the community of set my heart on it. I service. Quite unexpectedly owed it to them."

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on a trophy as Cantona was banned but last season he inspired them to claw back a 12-point deficit and scored the winner at Wembley. "Since my return to Manchester United I think I've given it my all," he have suffered through Satur-said. "I don't know what day clashes with Liverpool more I could have done."

### **Everton** to sell Nigerian

ANTEL AMOKACHI's spell in English foot-ball may well end this summer with a move to

Everton's Nigerian international forward is wanted by finalists Bordeaux. Both have indicated a willingness to meet the asking price of

around £2 million.

Amokachi joined Everton from Club Bruges in a £3 million deal 22 months ago but has failed to hold down a regular first-team place at Goo

Although Everton's man-ager Joe Royle believes Amorich potential, he will now sanction his sale as he tries to assemble a squad capable of launching a serious assault on the Premiership title.

After recently agreeing to pay Leeds United £3.5 million for the Wales international has been told he must trim his senior squad before he can move back into the transfer market. Amokachi. Everton's first

black footballer in almost 20 years, appeared as a substi-tute in the 1995 FA Cup final win over Manchester United. Middlesbrough are on course to become the first Premiership club this summer to announce a season-

ticket sell-out. Some 26,000 fans renewed their tickets before last Saturday's deadline and the club is confident a few hundred remaining tickets will be sold

Middlesbrough have yet to decide whether to fill in two corners of the Riverside Stadium to increase capacity to

Tranmere are to resume Friday night league games at Prenton Park after two seasons in which their gates and Everton home matches.

#### Russell Thomas medical later this month.

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West Ham are confident

over £2m record deal

reports on a Romanian raid

WEST HAM's managing director Peter Storrie is confident that a club-record E2 million deal for Florin Raducioiu will go ahead, even though the Romanian striker yesterday said he knew nothing about such a move.
After the 26-year-old Radu-

port with Romania's Euro 96 squad, he said: "I don't know spoken to West Ham." But later Storrie explained:

"We have an option agree-ment with the club [Espanyol] and have agreed not to speak to him until after Euro 96 so he can concentrate on that." What is certain is that Raducioiu wants to leave Espanyol. He joined the Barcelonabased club from Milan after the 1994 World Cup but has since indicated a desire to play in the Premiership.

Storrie watched Raduction in the Premiership watched Raduction help Romania to a 3-1 (Chelsea). Cascarino [Marselle]. cioulu help Romania to a 3-1

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win over Moldova in Bucha rest on Saturday and agreed a deal due to be finalised after a Storrie said: 'It's a very ex-

citing move for West Ham. Florin is world class with a real appetite for the game. We have five first-team players from the Continent now with Florin, Ilie Dumitrescu, Slaven Bilic, Marc Rieper and Paulo Futre — and all have strong characters." Derby last night signed an-other Euro 96 competitor

when they captured the Dan-ish defender Jacob Laursen for £500,000 from Silkeborg. Laursen joins the Croatians Aliosa Asanovic and Igor Sti-

Craig Brown, whose twoyear extension as Scotland's manager was confirmed yes check on their first Euro 96 opponents Holland in the friendly with the Republic of

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(Sp) Mape; 1.27; 8. Berzin (Rus) Gewits
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**Fixtures** 

Soccer Hockey INTERNATIONAL: GB v Canada (20)

#### Athletics

#### Coach Arnold blows top over absentees

Duncan Mackay

HE chief coach Malcolm Arnold is furious at the back on Britain in the weekend's European Cup while the Olympic champions Linford Christie and Sally Gunnell were prepared to find time in

their busy programmes.
An obviously upset Arnold, normally the most under standing of coaches, spoke out after it emerged that before Tracy Joseph came to the rescue, six women runners had declined a late opportu-nity to fly out to Madrid to

represent Britain in the Britain's sixth place was only 4 x 400 metres relay. "I won't name names," said

Arnold, "but they know who they are and should be ashamed. I feel let down by people who chose not to be considered for selection and those who dropped out of the team and ran in other meetings. One girl gave three different

reasons for withdrawing.
"When lies are told I get cheesed off. They are not accepting their responsibilities. If they can't change and compete for us once a year it's a sad thing."

hard by withdrawals and has done for the team.

one away from relegation from the Super League. The men's team, meanwhile, fell a long way short of challenging the Germans, despite finishing second for the fifth consecutive occasion.

Of Christie, the British

team captain who completed a third successive 100-200 metres double in Madrid, Arnold said: "The big names were all there. They represented their country and were paid nothing for it. Say what you like about Linford, but Gunnell's squad was hit cord. It's staggering what he

#### Sport in brief

Rallying

The world champion Colin McRae had his lead over the Mitsubishi of Finland's Tommi Makinen cut to 44 second day of the three-day Acropolis Rally in Greece. The Scots Subaru was slowed by suspension trouble. Thirdplaced Carlos Sainz of Spain dropped back to 1min 34sec behind McRae

Hockey

Jason Laslett, the captain of Great Britain's Olympic team who damaged a breast bone a month ago in Ipoh, returns to

Bad Nauheim on Thursday | Soccer and Canada at Bisham the following day. **Rugby Union** 

The former England manager Geoff Cooke is poised to be come the director of rugby at Bedford. Paul Turner, controversially sacked last month as player-coach at Sale, may become the director of coaching as members prepare to vote on a proposal from a consor. tium to buy 50 per cent of the League Two club.

Cycling

The Ukrainian Alexander Gonchenkov won the 16th stage of the Giro d'Italia yes. terday, three weeks after his first victory in four years as a action in a training match professional. He raced home against Canada at Bisham 20 seconds ahead of the Swiss today, writes Pat Rowley. If he comes through the test, he lice Puttini after the 180km will play in the full internal stage from Aosta in Italy to tionals against Germany at Lausanne in Switzerland."

Edinho, the goalkeeping son of Pele, was sent off for dis-sent as his club Santos were beaten 2-0 by Palmeiras.

Equestrianism

Karen Dixon, short-listed for Britain's Olympic three-day event team, faces a struggle to reach Atlanta after a weekend fall. The 31-year-old Dixon cracked her shoulder blade while competing in France and is being booked in for sports therapy treatment at

Tennis

Britain's former No. 1 Jeremy Bates is on course to meet the current No. 1 Tim Henman in the quarter finals of the Beckenham Open which begins today. It marks the beginning pair Heinz innecess the 180km of Bates's final English grasscourt season a few weeks before his 34th birthday.

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#### Cricket

# Captain makes

David Hopps at Grace Road

FFIGIES of Mohammad Azharuddin were burned in the holy city of Amritsar yesterday. It is a fairly common occur-rence. They burned them when India lost to Sri Lanka in the World Cup semi-final, they burned them when he left his wife, and they will probably burn them if the Indian captain has a bad net before the start of the Edgbaston

Nevertheless, protests in the Punjab have reflected widespread sympathy, not solely among Sikhs, for the disaffected batsman Navjot Singh Sidhu, who walked out of the tour in protest at being left out of the Indian team for the third Texaco Trophy international at Old Trafford. Sidbu announced his international retirement, although he has already suggested that he might reconsider.

he might reconsider.

Denunciation was loud enough for Azharuddin, a Muslim, to seek to bring the matter to a close yester-day. He hinted that he would have no objection to Sidhu returning to the Indian side again under his captaincy, and rejected im-plausible allegations that he laughed at Sidhu when informing him that he had been dropped, and that his captaincy had become increasingly aloof.
"Nearly all the retire-

ments recently have been on a very sad note," he said after the tourists' match against Leicestershire was abandoned as a draw at lunch-time. "You should go gracefully. To grumble reflects badly on your

Azharuddin dismissed suggestions that his captaincy is under pressure. But Inderjit Bhindra, president of the Punjab Cricket Association as well as the Indian board, is closely

aligned to Sidhu. Sidhu also draws some popularity from India's second World Cup defeat against Sri Lanka, in the semi-final in Calcutta; Sidhu was the only Indian player who warned against the inadvisability of batting second on a newly laid pitch.

This unnecessary controversy is only serving to detract from our primary task which is to win the forthcoming Test series,"
Azharuddin added,



continued from page 16 publicised up-and-at-'em audio tape full of Jerusalem, Churchill's speeches and the like.
I sometimes wonder if people think we just play a lot of music." he said. "We've prepared thoroughly, studying the weaknesses of the Indian players, both in the way they play and in their psychological make-up. We also have some secret code signs, sig-

nals that might come up once

a season, but might take us a

wicket that helps win a Test. Six weeks ago, everybody was talking about Tendulkar. I said to them: What about Hick, what about Thorpe, what about Athers?' We have an obligation to give people a team, to show them that we have worked hard and are enjoying ourselves. There have been a lot of changes recently and I've tried to spread to the players a message of stability. We are not here to knock people, but help talented play-

ers achieve success." Lloyd is aware that Test cricket is a different challenge, that he must adapt his pumped-up style. But he remains optimistic our batsmen can play their bowlers father. Ray. "He has just been taken into bospital with with a stick of rhubarb; our bowlers can all bowl a jaffa. If things go well this summer, and one suspects they will, it all-sounds like a cue for another Channel 4 series.



a stand



Ten left and counting . . . Ramprakash's direct hit from cover-point runs out Stemp and clinches the match for Middlesex

Northamptonshire v Warwickshire

# Pollock and Warwickshire hit their stride

HERE was little doubt, barring bad weather, that Warwickshire were going to make short work of completing a comfortable win yesterday. But a nine-wicket margin, achieved a little more than half an hour before lunch, represented an astonishing turn-around in Before lunch on Friday,

bowled by Paul Taylor, War-wickshire were floundering at 118 for five — 196 adrift and many were wondering gather the whether the game would into a unit. struggle into the final day. That Warwickshire recovered in such emphatic style is

**David Davies** 

"OM WATSON, for nine

years and more afflicted by the "yips", won the

Memorial Tournament, one of

the US Tour's most presti-gious prizes, on Sunday. It was his first victory in the United States since 1987,

when he won the Nabisco

He emphatically disproved

golf's most enduring adage concerning the yips; that once you've had them, you've

got them. He even survived a

missed putt from 30 inches on

the first green as he compiled

final round of 70, for a 14-

under-par total of 274, to beat

David Duval by two shots and

win £209,000.

"God, it feels so good to win again," said Watson. "Now I can't wait for the US Open

next week, I just can't wait."

He dedicated the win to his

a mild stroke, and it's been a

while since he saw me win."

Watson, now 46, has now

won 38 Tour events, including

eight major championships, but had played 140 tourna-

ments without success since

the Nabisco. When he hit his second to 15 feet at the last,

and knew that he had two

putts from there to win, he covered the last 180 yards

waving both fists in the air.

"It was like walking down the fairway at Pebble Beach in

1982 [when he won the US

Open) and like Turnberry in

1977 (when he won the

Open]," he said.

Tour Championship.

ents as basic ability in producing a winning team. On paper there is little to

choose between the two sides: but when push comes to shove Warwickshire have proved themselves to be achievers while the opposite applies to Northamptonshire.

Maximum points from the match put Warwickshire back on track after a slow start while Northampton-shire are winless after four Before lunch on Friday, matches and glued to 17th when Dougle Brown was place. Rob Bailey and John

> The game was decided by the stand of 194 between Andy Moles and Shaun Pollock that

yips for yippees

edge are as essential ingredi-innings total but was also the brose bowled just one over South Africa, pointed out how ents as basic ability in pro-precursor to an unexpected and the game was finished in many heads Pollock had precursor to an unexpected lead of 133. But there was value beyond mere runs: with every minute of the 460 that Moles spent at the crease the Northamptonshire balloon deflated and, by the time they batted again, there was noth-ing left. The Warwickshire

bowlers found them to be easy

pickings.
If there was to be any faint hope for Northamptonshire yesterday it would firstly have to come from the unbeaten pair Tony Penberthy and David Ripley — who came together at 89 for seven on Saturday evening and place. Rob Halley and otam Emburey, the new captain and coach respectively, will have their work cut out to mather the individual talents having added 59 — and then from a Curtiy Ambrose with

the boiler stoked.

It was not to be, however, and the innings lasted only 14 proof positive that self-confinot only took Warwickshire
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24 minutes. Wasim Khan, a first-ball victim on Friday, was unbeaten on 32.

Two of the remaining three Northamptonshire wickets had fallen to Pollock, including Penberthy for 43 and Paul Taylor for a duck. Penberthy had been dropped in the slips by the juggling combination of Brown and Dominic Ostler but two balls later he edged to Keith Piper before departing a disgruntled fellow.

Three for 49 in the second innings gave Pollock six wickets in the match as well county start - he had taken seven wickets in three matches — he is picking up. When he began his Test

many heads Pollock had cracked in domestic cricket, and there is no doubt that he has a dangerous bouncer.

But just as he got his prior-ities wrong in his first Test at Centurion Park (bowling with his bollocks rather than brain, as someone said at the time) so he has on English county pitches.

Sixteen years ago his fellow countryman Vintcent van der Bijl came to Middlesex and for a while bowled well enough without claiming scalps. His natural hardwicket length was too short as a century. There are signs but he adapted — not by (who made seven carrying that after an indifferent much — and cleaned up with an injured wrist) pulled 85 dismissals in his first sea-son, 49 of them bowled or leg

> A phone call from Warwickshire to South Africa might be the best couple of quid they

#### Scoreboard

**County Championship** 

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Second Bakese (overnight 198-2)
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3 P Thorpe low b Barnett
A D Brown not out
A J Hollingto not out

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Fail of wickets contr 213.
Fail of wickets 11.2—38—0; Cor 10.1—49—1; Harris 14.2—58—0; Barne 17.0—99—2; Aldred 4.4—0-43—0; Jone 6.5—0-23—0; Rolling 2-0-25—0; Adam 1-0-3—0.

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Total (or 9. 85 overs) 2488

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Boosting: M.P. Bicknell 9-3-17-5; Lowis 15-3-61-0; Pearson 15-6-41-1; Julian 15-6-93-7; Holifocks 6-0-25-0; D. J. Bicknell 1-0-4-0; Thorpe 1-1-0-0

Umphrasz N. 7. Pieses and P. Willey.

doubt in the final round. After he missed a short putt Trent Bridge: Notinghamshire (7pts) drew with Durham (11).

DUSHAM: First innings 455 (D A Btenkiron 130, S L Campbell 118, Evans 4-68).

NOTINGHAMSHIRE: First innings 269

(Brown 5-2). on the 1st, he sent one from 20 feet four feet past at the 3rd. He confessed afterwards that he had said to himself: "Oh MIT 5-70). TUNCHAMSHIRE

entirely differently. "These guys." said Watson, "will have to come and get me." No Annika Sorenstam won the US Women's Open for the

### Belfry to host Ryder Cup 2001

Changes will be made to next week's US Open at the early holes, notably the Oakland Hills due to rhen-3rd, 4th and 5th, while the matoid arthritis in his feet.

second successive year. The Swede finished on 272, eight under par and six shots clear of Kris Tschetter in second place. Britain's Laura Davies Jack Nicklaus, who de- was sixth on 281 after a final signed and owns the Memo- 69, with Alison Nicholas 13th.

Watson ... nine-year gap

rial course, embraced him as

he came off the 18th green, and said at the presentation: "This is the most thrilling win in golf in the last 10

years. From my win in the Masters in 1986 to now I've not been happier for anyone." Watson had his moments of

But he hit the ball firmly

into the hole and when, at the

10th, he holed a 12-foot birdie

putt to give himself a four-

stroke lead, he was thinking

jeez, here we go again."

THE Belfry will host the short 12th will also get Ryder Cup in 2001, the some attention. Extra specfourth time it has been played there, but over 21 million will be spent on the course beforehand, writes David Davies.

Change attention. Extra spectator moundings will also be put into place.

Jose Maria Olazabal has withdrawn from this week's English Over

one did.

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P R Pollard b Brown
R I Roberson a Campbell b Soiling
G F Archer not out
P Johnson a Codingwood b Boiling
CL Cairne not out 

Lord's: Middlesex (24pts) beat Yorkshira (4) by 21 runs. SUDDLESED: First innings 447 (M R Ram-prakash 134. J D Carr 94). Present 38. J D CBT 94].
YORKSHIRE: First Immgs 275 (P J Harley 88no; Folieti 5-29).
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M G Bevan e Brown b Fraser
G White c Harrison b Fraser
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SS, Recve 5-S7).

WARWICKENERS First innings 447 (A J Moles 184, 5 M Pollock 107; Ambrose 5-62).

NORITHALEPTONSHERE
Second innings (overnight 148-7)
A L Penberthy c Piper b Pollock 45-10 Ripley not out 35-5 C E L Ambrose c Penney b Smith 5 P 7 25/00 b PoRock 5 Extres (b5, lb1, nb14) 20

Total (86.1 overs) 174 Pall of wickets contr 159, 166. Bowlings Pollock 22.1-4-49-3; Small 2-0-3-1; Welch 15-4-49-2; Reeve 7-2-21-0; Brown 8-2-29-1; Smith 13-4-20-2

Total (for 1, 6.5 overs) Fall of wicket: 19, Fall of wickets 19.

18d not bete 11. Pomey, 'D A Reeve, S M Pollock, D R Brown, N M K Smith, G Welch, Tk J Piper, G C Small.

Bowlings Ambrose 1–0–6–0; Taylor 2–0–6–0; Roberts 2–0–19–0; Bailey 1,5–0–10–1.

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rese A Clarkson and T E Jesty. Wordester: Wordestershire (57): draw with Hampshire (57).

WORGESTERSHIRE: First innings 431 (K. R. Spring 144, G. A. Hick 123).

HARIPSHIRE: First innings 383-7 dec (A. N. Aymer 100nd, J. P. Stephenson 74, G. W. White 66, S. D. Udai 50nd).

WORGESTERSHIRE: First innings 187-7 dec (A. N. Aymer 100nd, J. P. Stephenson 74, G. W. Wolfferstershires.

WORCESTERSHIPE
Second Innings (overnight: 75-2)
G A Hick c White b Corner

Total (for 4 dec, 85 overs) \_\_\_\_\_\_288
Pall of wicksts contr 122, 281.
Did not bet: 18 J Rhodes, S R Lampit, P J Newport, R K Illingworth, A Sheriyar, Bowlings Conner 18-3-48-3, Bovill 15-2-59-0; James 5-0-21-0; Stephenson 11-4-35-0; Udal 23-5-57-0; Whitaker 15-2-48-0.

County table

Tour match

(Great day of three)

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ListCest ensemble: v In no). LEICESTERSHERER First imnings 318-5 dec (A Habib 90, D L Maddy 81, P V Sim-mons 55, V J Walls 52). INDIANS

INDIANS
Second leakings (overnight: 123-2)
Second leakings (overnight: 123-2)
S V Manjrekar not out
R Dravid live b Brimson
M Azharuddin retd hart
S Load not out

Other match Other thatten
(Second day of three; lodey 11.30)
OXFORD UNIVERSITY N GLAMORGAN
The Perfox Caford University tras Glamorgan by 108 runs with five first-inelings
which's remaining.
GLAMORGANE First immings 300-8 dec (8)
P Suitcher S3, R D B Croft 71, A W Evens
66ao).

66no). OXFORD UNIVERSITY

 The rookie pace bowler Ja-son Gillespie has retained his place in the 13-man Australian squad to visit Sri Lanka for a one-day tournament, also involving India and Zimbabwe, in August

However, the Australian Cricket Board's chief executive Graham Halbish said participation in the series remained subject to a final decision on security.

Mark Taylor will captain the side, all of whom went to the World Cup earlier this

year, including Gillespie, who

replaced the injured Craig

Second XI Championship (Today: 11.0) Bristok Lanca

McDermott.

sensor Lancashire 229 (P. R. Sleep 76) v Gloucesterbira. Cheeter-le-Street: Durham 129 (Smith 5-36). Warwickshire 30-1. Odd Mortheenstonisms: Middlesex 310-4 (P. Wallings 117no, S. P. Mollan 56) v Northemptonehire. Southeanth Essex 341 (P. R. Shaw 7fno; Hindson 5-65). Notinghamshire 28-0. Tauntous Somerast 350-2 dec (M. E. Tres-cottick 144, J. C. Hallett 145). Worcester-shire 12-2. Yorks Surrey 224-7 (D. M. Ward-60nd) v Yorkshire.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP (11.0, three days) Restor: Cheshire v Oxfordshire. Barrow: Cumberland v

**County Championship** Middlesex v Yorkshire

# Yorkshire go out blazing

Paul Weaver at Lord's

DDLESEX won an heroic match here yesterday, taking the last six Yorkshire wickets for 28 runs in six overs. There were 10 balls remaining. Yorkshire, looking to go top of the table, were equally courageous. Like The Windmill and Mr Patel's corner show they refused to look ner shop they refused to lock up even when their target looked quite fanciful.

looked quite fanciful.

There was much good cricket and a few belly-laughs as well, particularly when Mike Gatting's angry exhortations echoed around the ground's empty stands — his black looks and cross words mostly directed towards his mostly directed towards his phalanx of fielders who at times patrolled the short Grandstand boundary like

the Keystone Cops.
At least half the Middlesex side must have been dreading meeting their captain face to face in the dressing room after the game. In the end they pranced delightedly from the field after taking the last three Yorkshire wickets in as many balls. Mark Ram-prakash ended the match with a fine throw, a direct hit from cover-point to run out Richard Stemp as he and Chris Silverwood attempted an agitated single. The 24point win, by 21 runs, was their second of the season.

Middlesex appeared aschange matches, as Devon
Malcolm would ruefully testify. It was South Africa's
10th-wicket pair in Cape

out refull ray with with the reached his 50.
All Yorkshire guns were still blazing as the water crept over the Plimsoll Line.

Town who finally drove a glum Raymond Illingworth into his Farsley bunker with his ghostwriter.

Angus Fraser was one of the unsuccessful bowlers at Newlands on that January day, just as he was here on Saturday. But yesterday, with Phil Tufnell (four for 106), he bowled his side to victory. He has lost over a stone (given, presumably, to Gatting, who now looks a very wide midon) and as he took three York-

on) and as he took three York-shire wickets showed some of his old ztp.

Gatting's teasing declara-tion set Yorkshire 344 to win.
They resumed yesterday morning on 14 for nought, needing a further 330 from a

minimum of 96 overs.
Yorkshire chase totals on a low heat before turning up the gas with the depth of their batting. At lunch they were 103 for two and needed 241 from 63 overs. from 63 overs. At tea they were 192 for three, needing another 152 from 31 and with Michael Bevan, supported by Craig White, halfway through an outstanding century.

When White hit Tufnell for a big six over square-leg it brought the score to 255 for three and the chase was really on. At that point the rain came, little more than a sprinkled blessing, but enough to rob Yorkshire of four vital overs.

The target was now 89 from 16 and Yorkshire struggled to maintain the asking rate. comfortable victory when they scored 447 in their first innings and had Variable. imnings and had Yorkshire
162 for nine before a lastwicket stand of 113 between
Peter Hartley and Stemp.
Last-wicket stands can
change matches as Dates.

#### Cork pops the Surrey bubble

DOMINIC CORK produced some timely England form at The Oval yesterday to frustrate Surrey

Bicknell, who had taken five for 17 in nine overs before tea, was unable to return after the interval beand earn Derbyshire an unlikely draw and 10 champi-

onship points.

A gritty, unbroken lastwicket stand of 74 between Cork (82) and Paul Aldred Derbyshire back from the brink at 172 for nine.

The visitors finished on 246 after they had been set 354 to win off what turned out to be 65 overs. They were helped when Martin and Durham.

cause of a groin strain.
At New Road, the Worcestershire captain Tom

Moody completed his sec-ond championship century this season but interrupwith Hampshire inevitable. Inclement weather also brought about draws at Old Trafford between Lancashire and Gloucestershire, and at Trent Bridge between Nottinghamshire

Rugby League

# Old Bull Cordle to face France

Paul Fitzpatrick

ALES have brought back Gerald Cordle, the Bradford winger currently playing with South Wales in the Second Division, for tomorrow's European Championship opener against France at Carcassonne.

At 35, Cordle's inclusion can scarcely be viewed as a

progressive step by the Wales coach Clive Griffiths. But then Griffiths does not have much choice at present. Since Wales reached the

semi-finals of the World Cup last October, four players — Jonathan Davies, Jonathan Griffiths, Adrian Hadley and Phil Ford — have returned to union while another, Scott Quinnell, is about to do so. Scott Gibbs, Kevin Ellis, Allan Bateman, Kelvin Skerrett and Richie Eyres were unavailable and yesterday came

ereux was ruled out. He broke an ankle for Widnes at Rochto play again this season. Wales include the young hooker Keiron Cunningham,

another blow when John Dev-

who was reported to be un-settled at St Helens. The club's chief executive David Howes said yesterday that that was nonsense: "Keiron signed a new five-year contract in April and received a Super League loyalty bonus."

The Challenge Cup final at Wembley next year has been moved from April 26 to May 3. PRANCE (all Paris EG, except where stated): Banquet; Bomati, Vergado, Garcia (Shaffield), Cervalio; Deveccia, Shaffield), Cervalio; Deveccia, Shaffield, Carvalia, Tettido, Taliao (Wigan), Cabestany,

Telxido, Talieo (Wigan), Calsestany, Jampy.
WALES: Alcheson (Oldham); Cordie (South Wates), Davise (Warrington), Critchiey (Keighley), Sulfivan (Si Midens); Harris (Warrington), Esphena (Hull); Yeans (Salford), Canningham (Si Heiers), Jones (Warrington), Mortarty (South Wales), Phillips (Workington), Perrett (Haldax),
Refereet R Smith (Castleford)

the three remaining events in

Coutts led the first match

from start to finish, but was

with Courts winning easily.

Courts had defeated Paul

#### Coutts one win away from scooping the Brut jackpot

**Bob Fisher in** San Francisco

USSELL COUTTS, the only half a boat clear in the America's Cup-winning second after overhauling Larskipper from New Zealand. son's smarter start. The third took the Brut Cup of San race proved an anti-climax Francisco by defeating Morwith Courts winning easily. gan Larson 3-0 in the final.

By winning two successive grand prix regattas, Coutts their semi-final, after Larson stands to collect a £106,000 bolad disposed of Ed Baird, the nus — the biggest cash prize world champion, in three in sailing — if he takes one of successive races.

Cayard in the fifth race of

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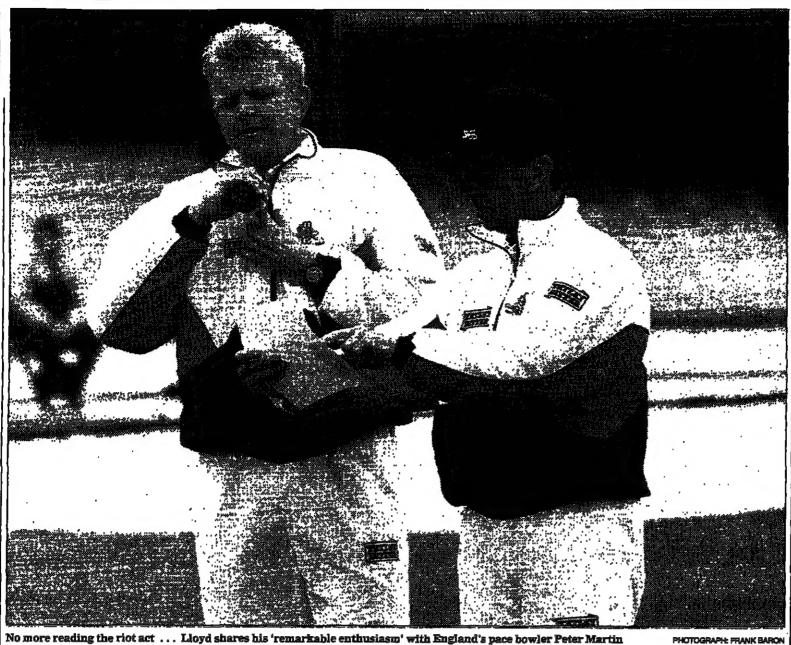
#### The law according to Lloyd

**On Englishness** English reserve even spreads to some of the players. I had to push some of them out on to the balcony during the Texacos to receive the applause. I said: 'Go on, milk it, you deserve it'.

On the summer We've prepared thoroughly, studying the weaknesses of the Indian players. We also have some secret code signs, signals that might just come up once a season, but might take us a wicket that helps to win a Test match.

On coaching Communication and motivation is a big part of coaching.

On the Lloyd way A lot of conversations involving Illy and Athers begin with a conclusion. They both like to state facts. There's not always much room for debate after that. I prefer to begin with a question and encourage people to work things out for



# Mr Motivator's moment of truth

As England meet at Edgbaston today to prepare for Thursday's first Test against India | we play well I don't want | them to be so reserved.

David Hopps meets the new spirit in the camp, the enthusiastic coach David Lloyd "That English reserve even | David Hopps meets the new spirit in the camp, the enthusiastic coach David Lloyd

the five As, said David Lloyd, brimming with his usual enthusiasm. "Agree, assess, assist, ehm, apply and ... blow me, I can't remember the other one." India take note: England will go into the secause there has been enough of that flumg one imagines that he will not be unhappy.

After England's World Cup failure, Michael Atherton found his Accrington accent might have proposed the irresistible, so once he was note: England will go into the first Cornhill Test at Edgbaston on Thursday with a fatal lack of preparation, and it begins with the first letter of the

alphabet. Lloyd can be grateful that he has only to concern himself with a single A. Judging by the drunken shenanigans on the Cathay Pacific plane that returned them from Hong Kong, some members of England's football team might | business". "I don't know what | larly, it has to be admitted, in soon find AA more you're talking about," said the field of sporting psychol-appropriate. Lloyd, sounding perplexed. ogy, but one that clearly

new coach, the mindless public bickering by men old enough to know better has done him a great disservice.

ready to sing the praises of "Icky, Thorpey and Louie". Instead, a radio reporter enquired about "the Illingworth

the grounds that he was staring into one. No longer Lloyd's receptive presence, plus a purposeful victory in After England's Texaco the Texaco series, has filled Trophy victory at The Oval. Atherton with a brightness Lloyd anticipated a celebra- not seen since the early

months of his captaincy. It must be concluded, there-fore, that the word Lloyd was not one which crops up regu

To Raymond Illingworth's "It wasn't in the Sporting Life arises from his recent inmind, the missing A must be "abuse" because there has been enough of that flung one imagines that he will not Lloyd's knowledge of fruit volvement as a narrator on a

around Australia wearing a Stan Laurel mask, and plantup from a Test Match Special colleague, he read out the ing joke-shop dog dirt in air-port lounges. Understand-ably, he prickles at such a misleading image; he goes much deeper than that. "Communication and motiscript, sprinkled a few one liners here and there, and col ected his fee. Now little old ladies keep asking him what to do with their gooseberries. As far as English cricket is

The Illingworth business? I don't know what you're talking about, ft

concerned, Lloyd has no intention of playing gooseberry. A temporary contract due to hardly represents an unre-served welcome, but he has taken up his responsibilities with gusto. If his favourable impressions persist throughout the summer, an extended contract will be his.

Lloyd's enthusiasm is remarkable — the knowledge he has garnered over the years has not dampened the impression that every day is a novelty - and he expects the same from players and public. As drums and musical instruments are habitually banned from English Test matches on the implausible grounds that they are a safety hazard, and as The Barmy Army, the most boisterous of England's fans, are often

might ruffle a few feathers.
"The Texaco matches made

charge are cluttered with spreads to some of the play-Alistair Cooke's recollection ers. I had to push some of them out onto the balcony on a Radio 4 Letter from America of Humphrey Bothe applause. I said: 'Go on. attention: "A professional is one who can give his best per-Lloyd's unkind fate, if

things go badly, will be to be depicted as little more than a It is a shame that one was not pinned up in the dressing weary and dispirited during the World Cup. He also talks about giving

England's players "media in-oculation training", a more enlightened policy that is certainly preferable to smother-ing them in rat-pack repellent gel and ordering them to keep their mouths shut Methods long adopted in

other sports are now becoming commonplace. He speaks with admiration of the workbook belonging to Kent's Australian coach, Darryl Foster; the section entitled "slumpbusting plans" might be fairly heavily thumbed by now. Then there was the much-

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for everyone to own up. feel like it.'

# Flight record that got lost in the drink



Richard Williams

the strange affair of Flight SX 251 is that if you put a man who runs a drinking club in charge of a football team, then you shouldn't be too surprised if the football team turns into a

drinking club. And if you then put the man who runs the drinking club in charge of the investigation into the behaviour of the football team, you should not ex-pect a vertici that would sat-isfy Tomas de Torquemada. According to the Venables

Inquiry — and having com-posed that phrase, I am now sicking myself up off the floor in a state of disbelieving hilar-ity — it is the team we are talking about. Collective responsibility. Nostra cuipa. Or possibly cosa nostra.

Like many people, I have some experience of schoolboy behaviour, including the tac-tical use of the law of *omerta* (otherwise known as not sneaking). And what I remember is that the best way to get out of messes like this one the burnt-out bicycle shed, the superglued lock of the beadmaster's study door, the dead sheep lying on a Welsh hillside involving the unsupervised use of automatic weapons — is

What can the authorities do faced with a couple of dozen culprits? Chuck you all out? Of course not. To visit a pumishment appropriate to the individual on the group as a whole would be to inflict an unacceptable level of damage on the institution itself. So deliver a stiff talking to, per-haps send a circular to the parents. Anything stronger and people might start getting into their heads the dangerous idea that discipline was

breaking down. Not only is the blanket consion good for the culprits, it is also good for the authori-ties. You, the schoolboys, are dimly aware of that. So you all own up, and breathe again. Of course the responsibility is collective. But it is a lot more collective than was admitted in the Football Association's statement yesterday. If the charge sheet ends with the name of the last member of the

must certainly begin with those of MILLICHIP, Sir Bert, and KELLY, Graham. From the Flaming Lambor-ghini to the smoking screw-driver, this has been the story of a failure of supervision. First, the failure of the FA to look beyond expediency in selecting the man for the job. Then the failure to take it away from him. And the fail-ure, having thus doubly failed, to compensate for the reduc-

tion in his responsibilities.
When Venables was appointed he was given the title of coach rather than manager, implying a division between technical and pastoral duties. The subtext was the existence in the FA's mind of a doubt about his fitness for certain tasks off the field. But who, in that case, was to fulfil the residual functions, such as ensuring that the players didn't spend their time pouring le-thai cocktails down each other's throats and allowing Page 3 girls to rip the spon-sors' shirts from their backs while representatives of the British press stood outside

waiting to buy the Polaroids? When the coach's appointment was made, the FA also installed a new PR man to tend the image of the incoming regime. The way things turned out, they should have hired a matron

CAN'T entirely blame the players — individually or collectively — for behaving like naughty schoolboys in the China Jump Bar and on Flight SX 251. They are the products of their society. and if you walk around Soho or Bigg Market or Nottingham's Slab Square this Friday night you won't see much different. I blame the shocking naivety of Millichip and Kelly, who are genuine football fans and natural-born bureaucrats but have no gift for moral dilemmas, for sending them on this ludicrously misconceived trip in the first place, and for then failing to ensure that they behaved themselves.

Jack Straw, the shadou Home Affairs spokesman, was reported at the weekend as favouring curfews for Britain's under 10s. This seems unfair on the majority of mature nine-year-olds who know the difference between a television screen and a dartboard and can distinguish the firstclass compartment of a Boeing 747 from the playgroup room in the village hall. But if there are young men with such discriminatory faculties due to play for England at Wembley on Saturday, as seems probable, it appears that the FA doesn't want us to know about them.

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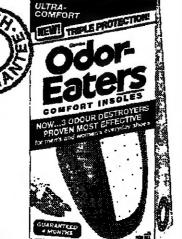
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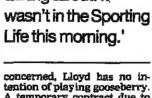
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viewed with disdain, his call for more manifest support

it plain that India - and no doubt Pakistan later in the summer — are going to have terrific support," he said. "It would be nice if England tive encouragement. I don't think English spectators would know what to do with a put such thinking into drum and a whistle, but when practice.

screaming kids. Not that coaching England is quite If Lloyd is far from just the comic to Atherton's straight man (he rejects any suggestion that they are opposites), their affinity is crucial to England's peace of mind this summer. Illingworth and Athpresented as at loggerheads, even on subjects about which they are in agreement. Lloyd, as a fellow Lancastrian, and

during the Texacos to receive

drum banger, a playful figure

vation is a big part of coaching," he said. "The advanced

coaching courses ask you

how you would deal with 20

milk it, you deserve it.

preferring democracy to Il-lingworth's autocracy, is more obviously in alliance work happily together. He doesn't like defeat and he has had to carry a lot of responsibility from a young age. He is now coming to his peak as a world-class batsman and we don't want him to become stale or sidetracked. It's down to me to take some of the bur-dens of daily organisation away from him.

"A lot of conversations in-

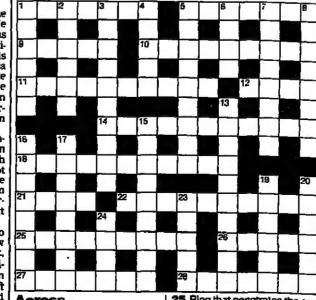
volving Illy and Athers begin with a conclusion. They both always much room for debate after that. I prefer to begin with a question and encour age people to work things out for themselves."

Lloyd's receptiveness to sporting psychology is a new departure for English cricket, where positive thinking traditionally got no further than always buckling on the left pad first. He was encouraged to attend management training courses while coach at Old Trafford, and he is eager to explore how sports coaches

**Jobbins had promised** to marry both her victims but while they were busy writing her into their wills, she was looking for a suitable assassin.

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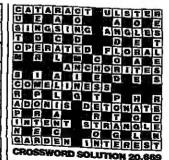
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- 22 Express lorry approaching
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- 4 Capers in long-boats, once 5 Spitfire made from logs lashed together (9)
- 6 Blithe Spirit not to open? (4) 7 Thriller-writer whose characters are snuffed out? (8)
- 8 Broken utensil, tin-opener, of Orpheus? (8)



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